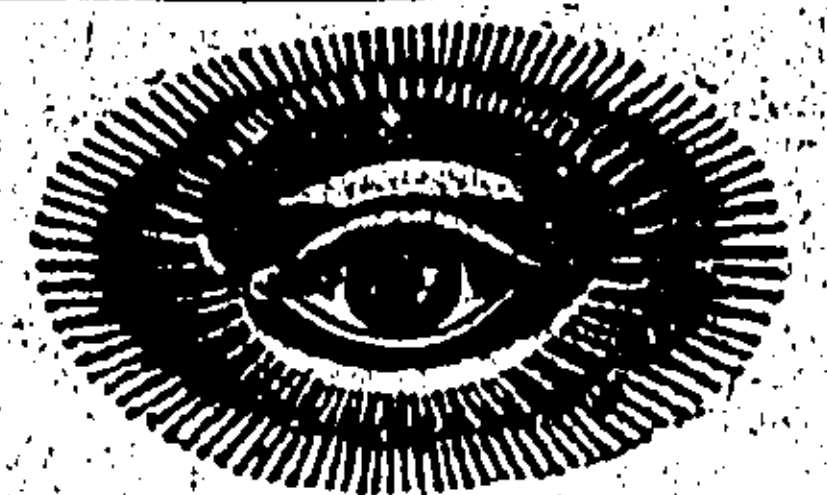


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"SURPRISE" WAR.

Rival Nationalists Clash
on Yangtze.

NAVAL FORCES ASSEMBLING.

Nanking Clique Takes Wuhu From
Wu-Han.

Coming at a time when the politicians have arrived at a basis of understanding for peace within the Party, the militarists of the opposed Nationalist cliques have caused great surprise by breaking out into hostilities with each other near the dividing line at Wuhu.

Impending for some time, this clash will have the effect of hindering the Nanking faction in its proposed war against the North. Nanking troops are concentrating along the lower course of the Yangtze but it seems curious that more men can be spared for the march up north, as reported below.

A lull has set in on the northern fronts.

ACTUALLY CLASHED.

Hostilities Cause Chinese Ships
To Tie Up.

According to the "Kung Sheng Yat Po," reports are current in Shanghai that the rival Nationalist armies have actually clashed. General Li Tsung-jen of Kwangsi, who commands the 7th



General Li Tsung-jen of the Nanking faction, reported to be in charge of operations on the "new front" at Wuhu.

Army, is believed to be directing Nanking's forces against Wuhu. General Liu Hsing (36th Army), who is on the Wu-Han side, is in charge of the defence. Chinese merchant shipping is stated to have suspended for fear of being commandeered during the crisis.

March on Chekiang?

Nanking's warships have taken up positions along the River from Wuhu downwards.

Reported this week to be inspecting his troops on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway, General Ho Ying-ching has now gone south to Hangchow, the capital of Chekiang province. Rumour attributes his move to the possibility of a Wu-Han column invading Chekiang by an overland route.

WUHU CHANGES HANDS.

Five Nanking Gunboats Take Up
Positions.

Wuhu, Yesterday.
After having constituted the most easterly point of territory held by the Wu-Han faction of the Nationalist Party, Wuhu is gradually being controlled by the Nanking faction.

Hitherto the Nanking outposts kept below Wuhu.

After sunset on Wednesday, five Nationalist gunboats (loyal to the Nanking faction) anchored in the River off the port and kept their searchlights on for some time.—British Naval Wireless, Concentration at Chinkiang.

Chinkiang, Yesterday.
Two pro-Nanking Nationalist torpedo-boats arrived here on Wednesday.

Troops are being concentrated in fairly large numbers, and a good many units have crossed the Yangtze from Chinkiang, to the Grand Canal, north bank.—British Naval Wireless.

Troops Pour Into Nanking.
Nanking, Yesterday.
Large numbers of troops are crossing the Yangtze over to Pukow, on the north bank.

Sixteen carriages, occupied by troops, arrived by the Shanghai-Nanking Railway to-day from the south.—British Naval Wireless.

COUNCIL OF WAR.

The New Body To Run
Canton.

ALSO KWANGSI PROVINCE.

To Function Until Nationalist Govt.
Exists.

Lt.-General Hu Chien, the displaced Defence Commissioner of Waichow, is reported to have been shot.

As previously reported, the Canton authorities were doubtful of his loyalty. A division of Ironsides was sent to replace his men in garrison and he was, according to intelligence from Canton, placed under arrest. Now comes the news of his having been shot.

Waichow is on the East River and is now ruled by the 26th division of the Ironsides.

To unify the defences along the East River, the 26th division of Ironsides will be transferred from the North River to the lower course of the East River, in and around Sheklung, where the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese section) crosses the river. More arms, munitions and equipment for the Ironsides have arrived in Canton from their field base up North.

Troops Going Home.

Two river steamers, converted into transports, have left Canton by the West River. The troops under General Wong Shu-hung of Kwangsi province. Although he is in Canton at the moment he is repatriating his men, after service at Swatow.

Opinion in Canton military circles is that all of Wong Shu-hung's units will leave Canton and gone up the West River by the first half of November.

War Council's Scope.

The so-called "temporary" war council in Canton has taken office and received its powers from the provincial branch of the Political Council, the highest authority in the Nationalist machinery of government.

This council will direct military administration for both Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces.

General Li Chi-sum, the commander-in-chief, is chairman, supported by Wong Shu-hung, General Chang Fah-hui of the Ironsides and others.

Waiting for Nanking?

The declared object of forming this council is to centralise the command. Headquarters of Li will be abolished forthwith.

Among a series of statements in connection with the inaugural of the Council, the most significant is that the council will only officiate till a proper Nationalist government is set up. By this it is meant that Canton will continue to be independent of the present administration in Nanking, but as soon as Wu-Han's terms have been accepted and the official peace conference is called, Canton will come into line again.

Swatow Quiet.

Yesterday Swatow was quiet, says a Naval wireless report. On Wednesday there was an enforced holiday for the holding of an anti-Japanese administration, and about 500 pro-Canton troops, some without uniforms, left Swatow on the s.s. "Tong Lee."

Five Russians, alleged to be Communists, who left Swatow (via Amoy) for Shanghai after the pro-Canton troops entered the port, have been arrested in Shanghai and handed over to the Chinese military.

low Nanking and Wuhu is 55 miles above Nanking.]

The Biggest Ships.

Tungchow, Yesterday.
The biggest ships in the Navy belonging to the Nanking faction of the Nationalist Party are assembled here.

On Wednesday afternoon, three cruisers and two torpedo-boats were observed to be anchored off the Chinese Maritime Customs' house here.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Tungchow is a port on the north bank of the Yangtze, very near the mouth of the River, between Chinkiang and Shanghai.]

Clash Confirmed.

Peking, Yesterday.
Foreign messages state that a clash occurred seven miles from Wuhu on the 18th inst. between Nanking troops under General Chen Tiao-yuan and General Cheng Chien, and Wu-Han troops. The Wu-Han troops are withdrawing.

PIRATED SHIP SHELLED SUBMARINE IN ACTION NEAR BIAS BAY.

S.S. "IRENE" CATCHES FIRE.

RAIDERS AND PASSENGERS
RESCUED

BROUGHT TO HONG KONG.

HOW PIRATES WERE FRUSTRATED.

NAVAL MEN'S HEROISM.

Sensational news of another piracy and the intervention of H.M. L4 as the captured vessel was being taken into Bias Bay to be looted reached the Colony this morning with the arrival in Hong Kong of L4 bearing over two hundred survivors from the pirated vessel, which was set afire by shells from the submarine when the pirates refused to stop the ship.

The ship concerned is the s.s. "Irene," a China Merchants steamer of 2,122 registered tonnage, formerly a tramp steamer, and now on the Shanghai to Amoy direct run.

The ship left Shanghai at 7 a.m. on Monday and was pirated when nearing Amoy at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, seventeen pirates taking part.

On being taken to Bias Bay by the pirates the ship was challenged near the entrance (this was about 8 p.m. last night) by Submarine L4 which had been on tactical operations and had anchored in the vicinity for the night. The submarine fired two blank shots across her bows and, as the pirates still refused to stop and the Submarine was unable to follow into the dangerous reefs into the Bay, live rounds were fired, the ship being hit twice, the engines being disabled and the ship set afire.

The Submarine went alongside the burning vessel and effected the rescue of the greater part of the crew and passengers, including the six European officers. L4 was joined shortly afterwards by H.M.S. "Delhi" who also picked up survivors who had jumped from the burning ship.

L4 arrived in Hong Kong this morning with survivors and it is also understood that more are aboard H.M.S. "Delhi," which, together with H.M.S. "Stormcloud" and H.M.S. "Magolia" were still searching in the vicinity this morning, and pumping water into the burning ship.

It is believed that practically the whole of the crew and passengers have been accounted for. Three men who were picked up have been identified as pirates and others of the survivors are under surveillance.

One of the ship's stewards who was wounded by the pirates and three passengers suffering from burns and immersion were sent to Hospital on arrival in Hong Kong.

Members of the crew of L4 displayed great heroism in repeatedly diving overboard to save survivors from the burning vessel.

SUB.'S LUCKY "FIND"

Yet another Bias Bay piracy has been perpetrated and on this occasion the pirate gang has met with complete disaster.

The ship pirated was the s.s. "Irene," owned by the China Merchants S.N. Company and flying the Chinese flag, a steamer of 1,343 tons gross tonnage. She was proceeding on a voyage from Shanghai to Amoy with a cargo of beans and general cargo and 258 people in all on board.

The "Irene" left Shanghai at 5 a.m. on the 17th October (Monday) for Amoy direct, and all went well until 8 a.m. on the 19th (Wednesday) morning when the 2nd Officer, 2nd Engineer and the Captain (Capt. Jahnsen), a Norwegian, were having breakfast in the saloon.

Rush on Saloon.
It appears that all the saloon accommodation and officers' quarters are aff. At 8.10 a.m. a rush was made towards the saloon, and a number of armed pirates rushed down the companion way into the dining room where they fired about a dozen shots. One of the stewards was shot in the chest.

The officers were overpowered and the pirates directed them to sterna course for Bias Bay. The ship proceeded at about 9 1/2 knots and on Thursday slowed up so as to arrive at Bias Bay after dark.

It appears that three passengers in the meantime had been locked into one of the cabins and one of whom is supposed to have belonged to the compradore's staff.

Everything went quietly until somewhere about 8 p.m. last night when the ship rounded Bati Island which is situated at the N.E. horn of Bias Bay, no doubt with a usual unloading ground at Tsang Chau Island, which is at the head of the Bay.

Submarine Exercises.
Unfortunately for the pirates, H.M. Submarine L4 had been carrying out tactical exercises during the day to the seaward of Bias Bay and had anchored for the night in the lee of the island.

On the appearance of a darkened ship entering the Bay, the Captain of L4 (Lt. Hallahan, R.N.), at once suspected piracy. He first flashed a signal "Stop Instantly" in plain language. As this signal had no effect he turned his searchlight on the ship and fired a blank round.

The ship still had not stopped and so Lt. Hallahan ordered a shot to be fired across her bows.

It appears that Capt. Jahnsen, who was on guard on the bridge when the signal was made from L4 rang his engines to stop but the pirates in the engine room prevented the Chief Engineer at the point of an automatic from carrying out the order.

Chief Engineer's Escape.
The Submarine then fired at the "Irene" in order to disable her. The shot proving successful, the shell entered the engine room, put the engines entirely out of action and killed on the spot one of the pirates who was in the act of raising a rifle to his shoulder to shoot the Chief Engineer for his attempt to stop the engines.

A small fire broke out and spread so rapidly that it is considered possible that the pirates adopted their well-known practice of setting the vessel on fire themselves.

Lt. Hallahan saw people leaping overboard from the ship and proceeded at once to the rescue, picking up a fair number of people

TRADE BARRIERS.

Import And Export
Restrictions.

NATIONAL DEMANDS.

Britain And America Want All
States To Participate.

Geneva, Yesterday.
At the International Conference on Trade Barriers there was an animated discussion on the draft agreement which showed that generally the French, German and Italian delegates were in favour of a clear and precise convention involving a restricted number of States while Britain and America want a convention comprising the largest possible number of States.

Sir Sydney Chapman, referring to the suggestion of Herr Trendelenburg that certain products which were very important for purposes of defence should be excluded from the restrictions, strongly urged that the Convention should cover, for certain countries at any rate, certain products and plants which they regarded as vital for purposes of defence.—Reuter.

list gives 258 as the number on board the ship, it would appear that about 24 remain to be accounted for.

There is, however, a possibility that the figure of those picked up may be 232, as there seems to be some confusion.

Arrival in Hong Kong.

L4 then proceeded to Hong Kong leaving the burning ship to H.M.S. "Delhi," H.M.S. "Stormcloud," and H.M.S. "Magolia," which vessels proceeded to pump water into her.

The Naval tug "Alliance" was subsequently despatched to the scene and it is believed that the s.s. "Irene" is still afloat.

L4, crowded to the very utmost capacity, arrived in Hong Kong at 8 a.m. and the Police took charge of the survivors who are now accommodated at the Central Police Station. Medical aid was in attendance and the Chinese who was shot through the chest, also three others, believed to be passengers, who were suffering from minor injuries, were removed to Hospital.

Identified.
It is understood that three of the pirates have been identified among the passengers and others who were brought to Hong Kong by L4.

From the Captain's story it appears that the pirates did not touch the officers' property with the exception of the Chief Officer's revolver, which they took away.

The pirates looted the cargo and the ship's stores and spent most of the time during which the ship was under their control in feasting and gambling.

When the shell was fired and the ship set alight, the Captain and Chief Engineer, after a struggle with the pirates, jumped overboard and swam to the submarine, the other officers doing the same.

The Honey Bears.
The pirates did not launch a boat but one was launched by the seamen of the "Irene." Only one or two passengers got into this, however, and practically all the survivors were picked up by L4.

Among the passengers was a travelling showman who had with him four bears (known as honey bears). A rescue party from the Submarine released the terrified animals on going on board but it was of course impracticable to bring the animals away. It is understood that one of them was picked up by one of the warships and the others stood a chance of getting ashore.

Difficulties of rescue work by a Submarine alongside a blazing vessel in a heavy swell can well be imagined and the success which attended her efforts reflects the utmost credit on Lt. Hallahan and his ship's company.

During this period all of the ship's company on the deck of the Submarine L4 had repeatedly dived into the water to assist in the rescue work. The utmost heroism was shown by all hands.

As soon as Lt. Hallahan was able to get a party on board the blazing ship he dropped her anchor.

Finally, it appears that L4 rescued no less than 225 people, further 123 were picked up by H.M.S. "Delhi" and as the official

U.S. DIPLOMATS.

Policy in China
Criticised.

CORRESPONDENT'S VIEW.

Proposed Intervention By
Force.

New York City, Oct. 11.
Thomas F. Millard, one of the best known of American correspondents on Far Eastern affairs, in a leading article in the November issue of Asia Magazine charges that American diplomats in China have "diverted" American policy there.

Millard declares that the diplomats attempted to defeat the Administration's "hands off China" policy by trying to induce the State Department to join in an ultimatum to China after the anti-foreign incidents at Nanking last spring when the Nationalists were sweeping down the Yangtze.

It is also alleged by Millard in the course of his article that members of the Peking Legation personnel referred in derogatory terms to members of the Nationalist Government, disregarding the traditional American attitude of neutrality toward the various factions in China.

Millard adds that "agents of other Powers in Peking, the Diplomatic Corps, and American business interests seeking continued enforcement of trade privileges" in-

Readers are reminded that Saturday's "China Mail" will contain the usual special features, including:—

"A Hong Kong Diary," with illustrations.

"The Canton Labour Situation, vis-a-vis Hong Kong," by "Li Chung-yin."

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fluenced the American Legation in its stand against the Nationalists.

Continuing, Millard charges the existence of an "extraordinary propaganda" designed to keep ever to the fore the unsettled conditions in China. He intimates that this was intended to create sentiment favourable to intervention by force.

The November issue of Asia, which appeared to-day, was advertised in advance with a resume of Millard's article, and special attention had been drawn to it by an address along the same lines delivered by Millard recently at the Williamstown Institute of Politics.

Millard, founder of the former Millard's Review in Shanghai which is now edited by J. B. Powell as the "China Weekly Review," has been in China for the past twenty years and has built a solid reputation by his correspondence for the "New York Times," the "New York World" and other publications.—United Press.

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Bangkok, Yesterday.

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London, Yesterday.
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R. J. VERNALL,

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Hong Kong, 20th October, 1927.

HOUSING SHORTAGE.

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TO IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

RENTS RISING.

Mr. H. C. Chan, the Secretary of the Clerical Union, has addressed a letter to the Chairman of the Singapore Improvement Trust on the question of housing accommodation for clerks in the employment of commercial houses.

House rent, he says, has been on the continuous rise since the war, due in the main, to the speculation of capitalists and the rapaciousness of some landlords, the sole aim of these two classes of people being a quick and big return of their outlay, having not the slightest regard, whatsoever, for the hardships of the salaried classes of the population. The rent of a house is invariably increased each time it changes ownership.

Additional Expense or Ill-health.

Owing to the acute shortage of houses in the town, many have "trekked" to the outskirts of the town, which, in some cases, are a considerable distance from offices, and thus although relieved of a high rent, they have a heavier transport bill to meet, both for themselves and the members of their families, especially when such families have school-going children. Those of the salaried classes as choose to remain in town areas have to be content to live in badly ventilated houses

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SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.
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WAKASA MARU Saturday, 19th November.
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LISBON MARU Tuesday, 26th October.
LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.
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OSAKA MARU Sunday, 30th October.
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TODAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

"Liangchow" (1220) British, from Canton, B. and S.

"Sarpedon" (8,921) British, from Liverpool, Singapore, B. & S.—99 passengers, 1,340 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 6,669 tons general (through).

"Nagore" (3,226) British, from Yokohama, Keelung, Mackinnon Mackenzie, 36 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 5,020 tons general (through).

"Chang Chow" (1,203) British, from Hongkong, B. and S., 2,860 tons coal for Hong Kong.

"Lycan" (4,814) British, from Yokohama, Shanghai, B. & S.—3 passengers, 3,969 tons general cargo (through).

"Kanchow" (1,222) British, from Newchwang, Amoy, B. & S.—32 passengers, 365 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 409 tons general (through).

"Dorry" (878) German, from Hongkong, Hoihow, Chou Yon Teng—1,820 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Clara Jebben" (1,145) Danish, from Bangkok, Hoihow, Kwong Ngon Seng—108 passengers, 1,894 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Fukuju Maru" (1,268) Japanese, from Wakamatsu, M.B.K.—1,910 tons coal for Hong Kong.

"Muran Maru" (3,251) Japanese, from Bombay, Singapore, N.Y.K.—207 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,241 tons general (through).

"Mishima Maru" (4,915) Japanese, from Melbourne, Manila, N.Y.K.—143 passengers, 429 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,523 tons general (through).

"Tak Hing" (105) Chinese, from Autau, Pook Hoi Co.—95 passengers, 2 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Departures.
For Batavia:—Tjondari.
For Swatow:—Linn, Hydrangea, Deli Maru.
For Canton:—Lushan Maru, Kanchow, Kaho, Kanko Maru.
For Singapore:—Nagore, Ho Sang, Sumatra Maru.
For Welhaiwei:—Yeljun Maru.
For Taurane:—Chung Kong.
For Autau:—Tak Hing.

Cleanances.
For Hoihow:—Borneo, Soon Ann.
For Shanghai:—Sarpedon.
For Singapore:—Norviken.
Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	Port
British	6	5	22
Japanese	3	6	3
Chinese	1	2	11
Danish	1	0	1
Dutch	0	1	4
German	1	1	1
Norwegian	0	0	7
Panama	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	3
	12	15	53

FREIGHT MARKET.

LOADINGS AT HANKOW BEFORE RIVER FALLS.

The Shanghai freight market is described by Messrs. Wheelock & Co. in their fortnightly circular of October 13 as follows:

The situation in our Outward Freight markets we find to be as follows:

To United Kingdom and Continent:—A fair amount of tea is still going forward, also some shipments of liquid egg-yolk, whilst some shipments of sesamum seeds and hides are expected shortly, but otherwise there are not much general cargo moving.

Hankow exports continue active and several ocean steamers are expected to load there before the water in the river begins to fall, which usually takes place about end of October or early in November, after which date it is no longer safe for ocean vessels to proceed up the Yangtze.

The Dairen and Vladivostok markets remain quiet and only a few fixtures have been made since last writing. Rates at the close are a little weaker and prospects for next spring are not very encouraging.

The next steamers to load on this berth are as follows:—

	Sailing Oct.
London, Hamburg etc. str.	
Glenluce	15
Marseilles, Hamburg	"
Philoctetes	"
Marseilles, Antwerp	15
Nagore	"
Marseilles, Glasgow	15
Lima Maru	"
Genoa, Glasgow	16
Lycan	"
Genoa, Hamburg	"
Emil Kirckhoff	18
Marseilles, London	"
Kashima Maru	18
Genoa, Bremen	"
Coblentz	18
Genoa, Marseilles	"
President Van Buren	21
Genoa, Hamburg	"
Madoera	25

To United States via Pacific and Canals:—There is the usual amount of tea going forward for this stage in the season, but silk has fallen off and there is not much general cargo moving—apparently sellers ideas of prices are still too high for buyers in America.

The next steamers to load for New York direct are as follows:—

	Sailing Oct.
Str. "Toba Maru" via Panama	17
"President Van Buren via Suez	21
"Hague Maru" via Panama	29
"Lisbon Maru" via Panama	30
"City of Eastbourne" via Suez	2
"President Hayes" via Suez	4

Coastwise:—One account of pending hostilities in Chihli and Fengtien Northern merchants have instructed their Shanghai agents to curtail upward shipments as much as possible. Downward shipments have not yet materialised in any large volume on account of disturbed conditions in the interior, but cargo is expected to move in considerable quantities in the near future. Conditions at Swatow and Canton are easier and shipments are moving fairly freely.

The Yangtze River trade continues steady. Wuhu and Changsha crops are large and brisk shipments should result in the course of the next few months.

FLEET MANOEUVRES.

SUSPENDED OWING TO STORMY WEATHER.

London, Sept. 30.

Stormy weather has caused the suspension of the Atlantic Fleet manoeuvres, which will last for several days, off the coast.

A thrilling incident occurred at Cromarty, Firth. During an exercise, the drifter, "Billow," towing a target, fouled the wreck of the Natal, which was blown up during the War. As the tide receded, the drifter was left with her stern high and dry on the wreck.

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ANOTHER TEST TRIP.

NEW CRACK LINER, WILL TRY AGAIN.

New York, City, Oct. 13.
The "Malolo" (Flying Fish), new crack liner of the Los Angeles-Honolulu run, will make test trips between Saturday and Monday.

If the tests prove successful, the vessel will start for San Francisco on October 27.

On her first test trip some months ago the "Malolo" was rammed and suffered severe damage, though her builders pointed out that the accident demonstrated the alleged "non-sinkable" quality of the ship.—United Press.

DRAMA OF THE TROPICS.

Captain and Wireless Operator Murdered.

Paris, October 1.
A tragic drama of the tropics is revealed in a report from French West Africa.

As the French cargo steamer "Beau Soleil" was approaching the Gabon coast on September 25, the second mate mounted the bridge, and, without uttering a word, shot the captain dead with a revolver, also the wireless operator, who rushed up on hearing the shot.

The second mate then jumped into the sea and was drowned. The chief engineer had died some days before of a mysterious complaint which nobody was able to diagnose.

Being short of officers, the "Beau Soleil" took refuge in the nearest port.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B.I. s.s. "Talamba" left Singapore for this Port on the 15th instant at p.m., and is due here to-day.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Yokohama for Vancouver on October 14, at 3 p.m. and is due at Vancouver on October 23.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" (from Manila) is due here at 8 a.m. on October 24, and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf, leaving at noon on October 26 for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C. via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benreoch" from Leith, Middlesbrough, Liverpool, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on October 27.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai on October 13, and is due here on October 31.

The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected to arrive in Hong Kong:—

S.S. "Si-Kiang" to-day.
S.S. "Sphinx" October 25.
S.S. "Porthos" November 9.
The M.V. "Formosa" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on September 30, and is due here on or about November 8.
The s.s. "Venezia" (D. & Co.) sailed from Port Said on October 3, and is due here on November 10.
The s.s. "Lancaster Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on Sept. 22, and is expected here on November 15.
The s.s. "Calulu" (D. & Co.) is due to sail from Sydney on November 10 for Samarai, Rabaul and Manila, and is expected to arrive here on December 4.

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LA PLATA MARU Tuesday, 1st November.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

HONOLULU MARU (Calls at K'ehi) Friday, 4th November.

CELEBES MARU Saturday, 18th November.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND PANAMA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

SEATTLE MARU Tuesday, 25th October.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.

ARIZONA MARU (From Shanghai) Saturday, 22nd October.

HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOL.

MENADO MARU Tuesday, 25th October, 10 a.m.

TAIKWA MARU Tuesday, 8th November, 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.

HAGUE MARU Sunday, 23rd October.

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TACOMA MARU Saturday, 24th October.

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DELTA	8,097	8th Nov.	Straits & Bombay
MACEDONIA	11,120	12th Nov.	Marseilles & London
MONGOLIA	16,504	26th Nov.	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	10,946	10th Dec.	Marseilles and London
KASHGAR	9,005	24th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,955	7th Jan.	Marseilles & London
DEVANHA	8,156	21st Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,946	4th Feb.	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,114	18th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles & London
KHIVA	9,135	10th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

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MANTUA	10,946	11th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	26th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MOREA	10,955	9th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KALYAN	9,144	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,156	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,946	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHYBER	9,114	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MACEDONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,985	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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In the excitement over oil little notice, apparently, has been paid to the information given out quietly by the Shipping Board at Washington, almost simultaneously with the other announcement, that the 60,000-ton freighter "Mercer" had been assigned to the committee conducting tests on the adaptability of pulverised coal for marine use. Though the committee, as cautious as scientists, has refused to make predictions, it is confidently expected that the experiments will result in a renaissance of coal which will restore its fuel at least to the position of importance it occupied before the war.

Greater Fuel Economy. The grounds for this expectation lie in the fact the results thus far obtained in the experiments have indicated that far greater fuel economy will be shown by this type of marine steam plant than by any engine known to the sea. Fuel is the principal item of expense in ship operation, and shipping companies are quick to take advantage of any development that will cut down operating expenses. All the principal trade routes of the world are overtonnaged. Competition is unusually keen. Operators must not overlook a single bet.

That is what forced them to equip their ship's boilers to burn oil and to build motorships. Oil can be loaded faster, making possible shorter voyage delays, and bunker oil takes up less space than bunker coal. But in the last few years the price of oil has mounted so high that its faster loading and economy of spaces virtues have been practically nullified. And so the eyes of the shipping world are now turned hopefully to the pulverised coal tests, which are in the last stage.

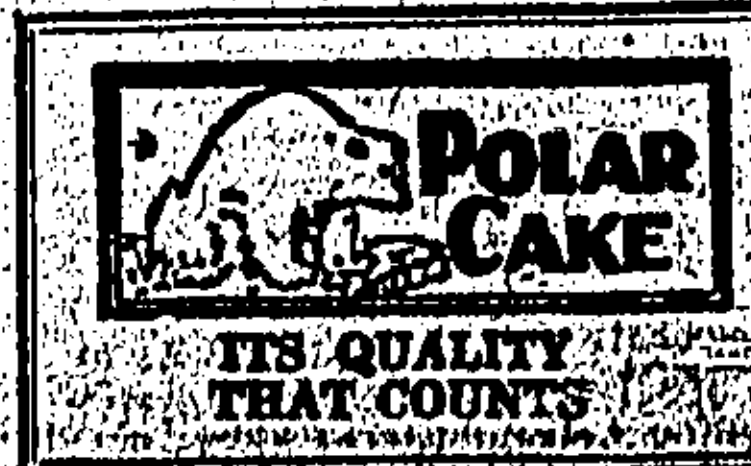
The use of pulverised coal in industrial power plants has been going on for a number of years. It has been used for about twenty-five years in the production of cement. Nearly 8,000,000 tons of it will be used in that industry alone this year. Metallurgical industries are expected to use around 7,000,000 tons, bringing the total for all purposes close to the 50,000,000-ton mark.

But it was only about three years ago that Captain Charles A. McAllister, chairman of the fuel conservation committee of the Shipping Board—an organisation which has been saving government vessels \$2,500,000 a year for the last five years—asked that experiments be begun to determine whether the marine world might not profit by the example of industry and burn pulverised coal aboard ships.

Faced by many obstacles. A year later the board set aside funds for the tests, and secured the co-operation of the navy in carrying them out. C. J. Jefferson, Cornell graduate and chief of the fuel conservation section of the board, was placed in charge of the work. The League Island Navy Yard at Philadelphia was chosen as the scene for the tests. He was faced with many obstacles and technical and financial problems, but his interest never flagged. It was pioneering work, for until quite recently no other country, so far as is known here, has been experimenting with pulverised coal for marine use, and its experiments are proceeding along different lines.

Powdered coal being very explosive when stored in large quantities, Jefferson and his fellow experts have devised an installation known as the unit type. It grinds up ordinary way, practically at the mouth of the boiler fire box for immediate use. Several pulverizers were tried out, that one being chosen which ground the coal to a greater degree of fineness than any of the others. The greater the fineness, the better the efficiency of the coal. At last a pulverizer has been perfected to supply coal which can be completely combusted, to burn very much like oil, eliminating dust and cinders.

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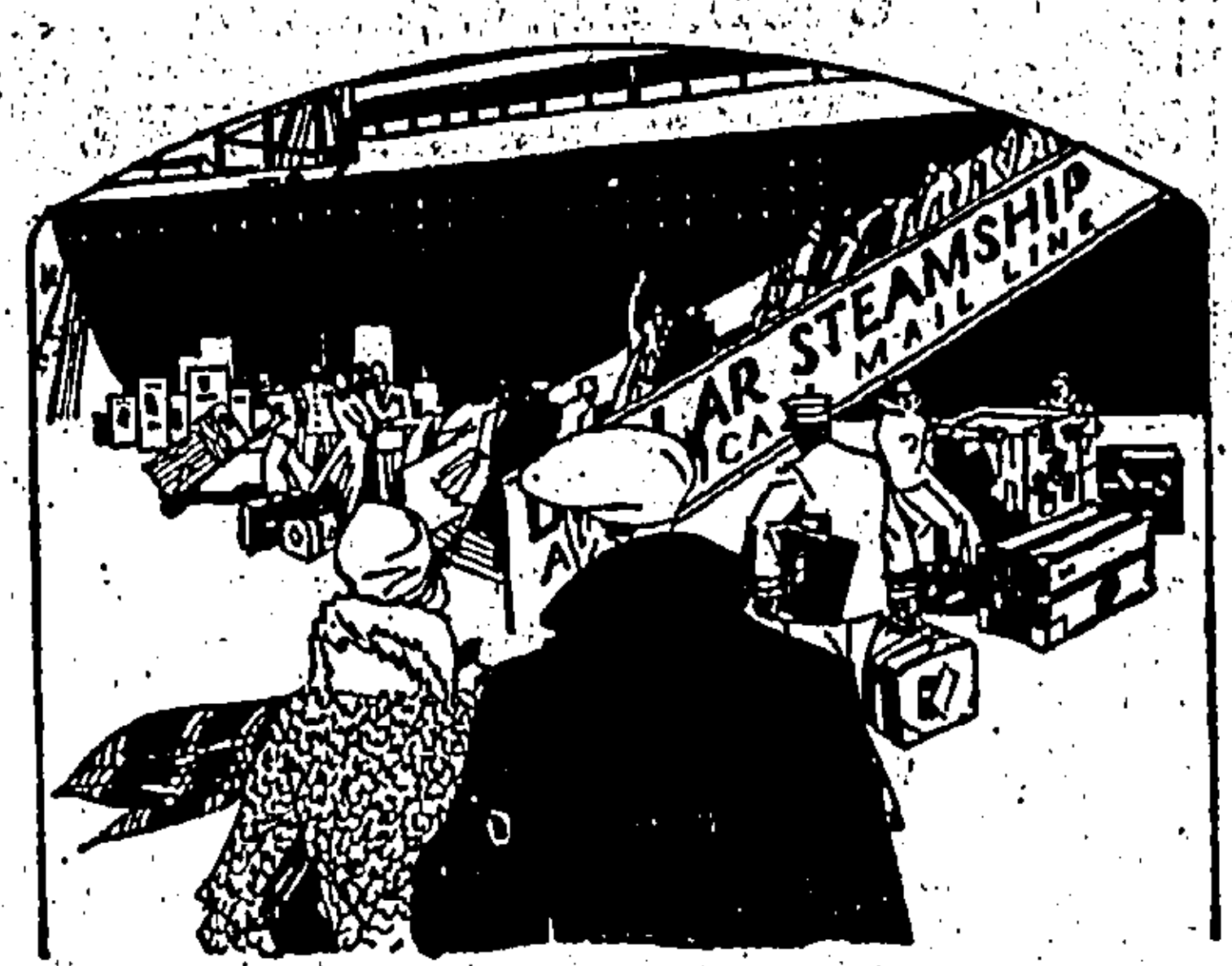
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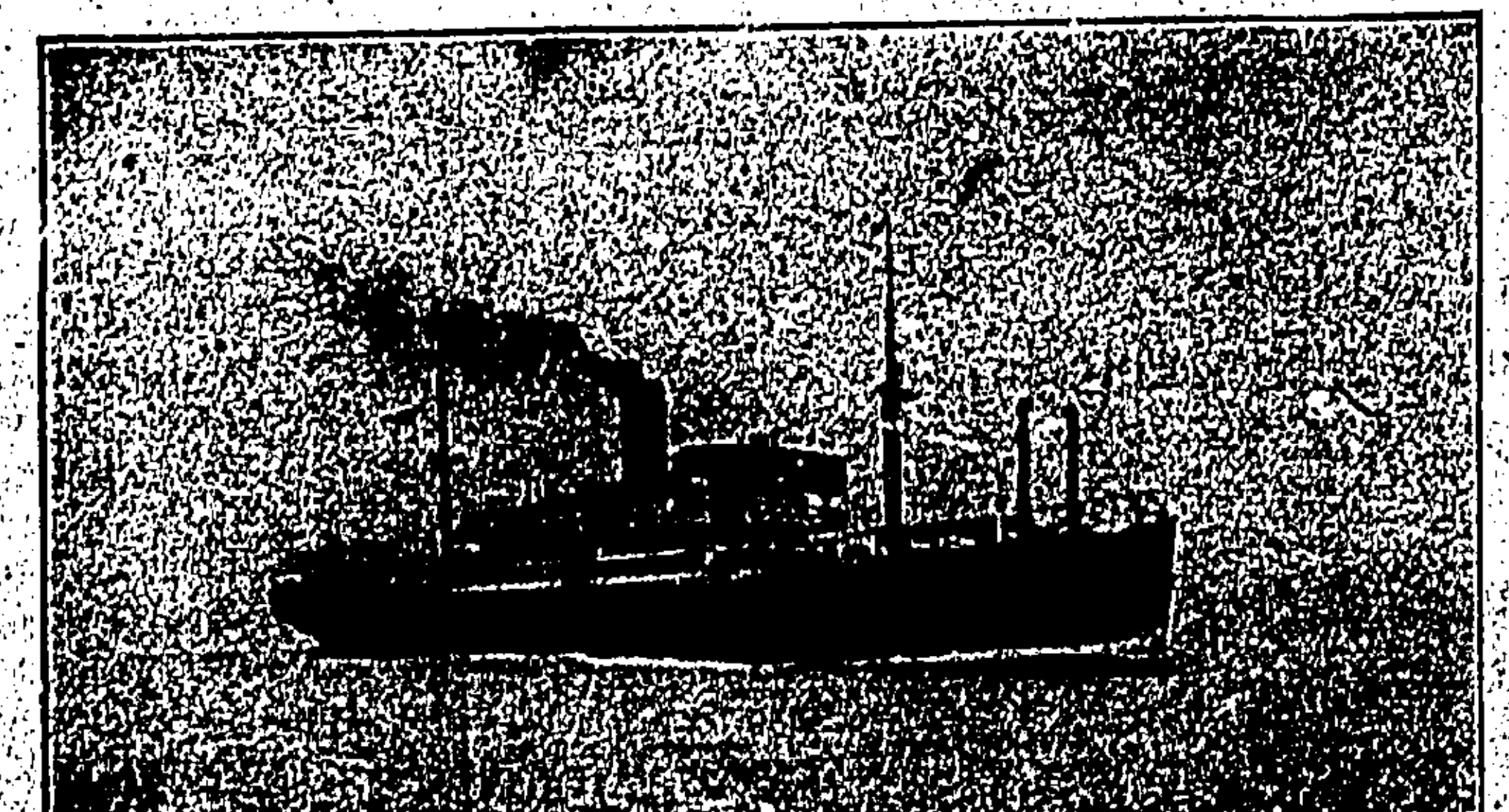
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THE HANKOW SURRENDER.

The report of the meeting of British residents in Hankow, published in this issue, should be read with more than ordinary interest by every Briton here and elsewhere. Since the ignominious surrender of the British Concession at that port to Messrs. Eugene Chen and Michael Borodin early in January last, those who have had to "carry on" in the place have suffered in silence. Now, it seems, something like the endurance limit has been reached, and to our fellow-nationals now living under Chinese jurisdiction in Hankow full sympathy—we are unable to do more—will be extended. At the meeting four resolutions were unanimously passed, and it is noteworthy that these are being forwarded direct to His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Sir Austen Chamberlain, and not through the usual Diplomatic channels. The gist of the resolutions is that the British residents of Hankow ask that the Chen-O'Malley Agreement be revised in a manner equitable to these residents. At its best the document was an infamous one, though there was a chance of it meeting with some degree of success if the Chinese, on their part, had observed it in the spirit and in the letter. But they have done neither and, apparently, never intended to. The first resolution asks for the removal of Chinese troops from foreign property within the ex-British municipal area; the second asks for a sound implementation of the Chen-O'Malley Agreement in regard to municipal administration; that it be revised so that the Director is not a member of the Council; the third asks that the police and other authorities be allowed to exercise their proper functions free from military and other interference; and the final resolution is to the effect that the ratepayers themselves should make it a condition of their next budget vote that a reasonable number of competent and fully qualified foreigners be employed by the Council on its staff. No extravagant "demands" are contained in these resolutions, nothing, in fact, to which a fair-minded person, or a fair-minded Government, could take exception, and it is hoped this call from the British residents of Hankow will receive the attention it deserves from the Home authorities. Following the protest recently forwarded to Whitehall by the British residents of the Tientsin British Concession against any similar surrender, perhaps some good may come out of it, some relief for the sorely tried Britons who only ask that they be left alone to conduct their business on the banks of the Yangtze. At any rate, both communications to the Home authorities—that from Tientsin and the more recent one from Hankow—will have done this amount of good. They will have broken the conspiracy of silence which certain ill-advised foreign factions, particularly in Tientsin, have sought to maintain throughout the past ten months of bitterness. To suffer insult and assault—and worse—without saying a word, hoping for the best, has not, up to the beginning of this year, been the British way of doing things.

COOLIDGE ACCLAIMED.

RECEPTION IN CARNEGIE'S CITY.

Pittsburgh, Oct. 13.

President and Mrs. Coolidge arrived here to-day by special train, accompanied by a host of officials, secret service men and newspaper correspondents.

Escorted by Pittsburgh notables and followed by their travelling retinue, the Coolidges rode in state down Fifth Avenue while throngs cheered uproariously. Both the President and his wife smiled and responded to the greeting.

The Coolidges visited the famous Blackhouse, and also an exhibition of paintings at the Carnegie Institute during the course of the morning.

This afternoon President Coolidge is to deliver the main address of the 82nd annual Founders' Day programme which is the reason for the Coolidge visit. President Coolidge will commemorate the philanthropy of Andrew Carnegie.

Washington, Oct. 14.

President and Mrs. Coolidge and their attendant "army" of officials, newspaper representatives, and secret service men returned to-day by special train from their trip to Pittsburgh, where the President delivered a Founders' Day speech.

United Press.

HANKOW SURRENDER.

British Residents Make Protest.

CHINESE MILITARY.

Revision Of Chen-O'Malley Agreement Asked For.

The scheduled mass meeting of British residents of Hankow was held at Victoria Hall, reports the "Hankow Herald." The meeting was crowded, all available space being taken. The assembly included about a dozen Indians.

The meeting was called by British residents at Hankow for the purpose of discussing four Resolutions with regard to the S. A. D. No. 3. The Resolutions were passed without comment as they stood, and met with no discussion or argument.

Mr. C. E. Peacock, Manager of Arnhold and Company, acted as chairman of the meeting. The only other speakers were Mr. A. V. Perry of the law firm of Bailey and Perry, and Mr. Harry Archibald of the "Central China Post."

The four Resolutions which were passed at the meeting will be forwarded at once by the British residents direct to the Foreign Secretary, Sir Austen Chamberlain, together with the list of names of those present at the meeting as having voted in favour of the Resolutions.

Following are the four Resolutions which were passed unanimously:—

1.—It is resolved that H. M. Government be asked to present a strong formal demand to the Nationalist Government that all troops now occupying Municipal and private properties be forthwith removed and not in the future allowed illegally to occupy properties in this municipal area. Failing compliance with such demands that H. M. Government should itself take the necessary steps to eject the military and other trespassers.

2.—It is resolved that H. M. Government be asked to press the Nationalist Government for a sound Municipal implementation of the Chen O'Malley Agreement in the spirits in which it was negotiated, viz.: as sound a municipality as the one it succeeded free in municipal matters from political interference or coercion. Accordingly that the Chen-O'Malley Agreement be revised so that the Director is not a member of the Council, but exercises only functions similar to those exercised by H. B. M. Consul-General in the former British Concession, that all employers of the Council be engaged by and subject only to the discipline of the Council.

3.—That H. M. Government be asked to notify the Nationalist Government that the Police and other Authorities in S. A. D. No. 3, must be free to exercise their proper functions free from military or other interference and that H. M. Government looks to the Nationalist Government to see that this is so, and to afford its full support to the Municipal Authorities in this respect; failing such proper maintenance of municipal law and order that H. M. Government reserves the right itself to take the necessary steps to enforce it and from time to time to land forces for this purpose.

4.—It is resolved that the ratepayers themselves should make it a condition of their next budget vote that a reasonable number of competent fully qualified foreigners be employed by the Council on its staff.

BACHELOR GIRLS.

LONDON STATISTICS SHOW THEY DIE SOONER.

The remarkable fact that the death rate is increasing among single women between the ages of 18 and 27 is disclosed in the report of the Government actuary, Sir Alfred Watson.

The report is based on the average deaths recorded in 1920, 1921 and 1922. Married women between 18 and 27 are healthier than ever. The report shows that a man's expectation of life is now between 55 to 62 years while a woman's is between 59 to 68, compared with 48 to 53 and 52 to 58 respectively in 1906.

Dr. Ethel Browning expressed the opinion that the increased mortality among single women was due to the fact that more young women are now working in closely confined offices. Dancing and pleasure going, instead of fresh air were also other reasons.

TROOPS FROM SHANGHAI.

London, Yesterday.

The first detachment of Army troops from Shanghai for arrival in Hong Kong is expected to arrive tomorrow.

CHINA NEWS.

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ing to Tating and Anking with the object of concentrating at Anking.—Reuter.

[Note: Anking is 108 miles above Wuhu.]

Next Nanking Conference.

The Nanking Kuomintang Committee have wired other leaders at Shanghai, Hankow and Canton calling a Fourth Committee Conference at Nanking on November 1.—Reuter.

TANG SENG-CHI.

Wants "Christian General" To Advance.

General Tang Seng-chi, commander-in-chief at Wu-Han (says the "Hong Kong Evening Post"), has requested Marshal Feng Jihsiang (the "Christian general") to advance against the Fengtien Party, and promises to protect his rear while he is engaged in war against Peking.

Yangtze Troubles.

Chungking, Yesterday. Shipping has again been subjected to attack, being fired at by men from the banks of the Yangtze near Mileage 52.

A Japanese steamer was fired at. Marines were on board the vessel and the attack was answered by the steamer's machine-guns.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Chungking is in Szechuan province, 1,400 miles up the Yangtze. The rival generals there are trying to insist on foreign shipping acting as their transports and subjecting to search.]

LULL SETS IN.

Progress of Fengtien v. Shansi Campaign.

A lull has set in on the northern sector of the war between Fengtien and Shansi.

On the southern sector, the Shansi main army is stated to be digging in at Tsingsing, which is on the Shansi Railway and west of Shichichang. This report indicates that the Shansi main army has fallen back before the Fengtien counter-offensive.

Lines Clear Again.

Peking, Yesterday.

Train services from Peking to Kalgan and Shichichang have been resumed.—Reuter.

[Note: Kalgan (northern sector) and Shichichang (southern sector) are the points where the Shansi offensive began. Statements that trains are now running to those points are clear of Shansi invaders.]

Rovers Still Active.

However, the Shansi rovers columns west and south of Peking have not been disposed of yet and are still causing Peking anxiety.

Peking, Yesterday.

The Peking authorities daily continue arresting students and suspected agitators.—Reuter.

SHOT ON THE RUN.

ALLEGED ARMED ROBBERS CHARGED.

WOUNDED THRICE.

The shooting of an armed robber at No. 185, Leichikok Road, on September 13, had a sequel in Mr. W. Schofield's Court at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when three men who were arrested in connection with the attempted robbery were charged.

The place raided by the robbers was a grocer's shop. The owner of the shop and his wife resisted the intruders, and when the woman called out "save life" she was stabbed in the head by one of the robbers. The men then became alarmed and ran out of the house. Outside, one of the men was accosted by a Chinese constable who was attracted to the place by the woman's cries. The robber ignored the constable's challenge and was shot at and wounded three times.

A search of the house afterwards resulted in the discovery of a pair of blood stained scissors with which the woman was stabbed. One of the trio was arrested hiding in the cockpit of the house.

According to the Chinese constable, he saw a man creep through a hole in the back door of the house, and he (the constable) immediately challenged the man, but the latter paid no heed and ran in the direction of Tainan Street. The witness then fired three shots at the fugitive who was wounded but continued to run. The witness had no difficulty in catching up to him however, and placed him under arrest. This man the witness identified as the second accused.

Other evidence was given to the effect that the first accused was the man who was found hiding in the cockpit when the constable searched the place.

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THE CAT AND THE CANARY.

GRIPPING MYSTERY FILM AT QUEEN'S.

WORLD FLIGHTS.

INADEQUATE SUPPLY STOPPED BROCK AND SCHLEE.

POOR OIL DENIED.

Tokyo, Oct. 2. Inadequate supply of gasoline and not a poor quality of fuel was responsible for the forcing down of the globe-circling fliers Brock and Schlee at Omura recently, investigation has disclosed.

A message sent from Omura in Japanese was translated into English to read that the "gasoline was poor." Brock and Schlee themselves later explained that the gasoline was of excellent quality but there just wasn't enough of it. The only poor thing about the situation was the Japanese translator's knowledge of English, they declared.—United Press.

Mexicans Celebrate.

Mexico City, Oct. 12. In holiday garb and as carefree as though no revolt had ever occurred here, the Mexican capital today celebrated the Fiesta de Raza, a feast of the Spanish race. Various institutions gave entertainments in commemoration of the day.—United Press.

Actress Passenger.

Lisbon, Oct. 13. Plans of the crew of the Junkers passenger airplane en route to America were changed this morning, and instead of stopping at the Azores and Newfoundland the plane is now expected to fly direct to New York.

Miss Lillie Dillenz, the actress who flew here with the Junkers from Germany, continues enthusiastic over the flight and will adhere to the new plan.—United Press.

And Another One.

Brunswick, Oct. 13. The second Junker airplane which will fly to America on a trail-blazing trip to open the way for regular passenger service resumed its flight to-day.

The ultimate destination of the ship is New York by way of Amsterdam, the Azores or other points to be selected at the discretion of the aviators, it was said.—United Press.

Plane Wreckage Seen.

Washington, Oct. 14. A wireless message from the steamship Lamp says that the U.S. Coast Guard has passed the wreckage of a hydroplane with a yellow bottom and red cabin, about 200 miles off Nantucket.—United Press.

SUPERMEN NEXT.

CALL FOR TALENTED CHILDREN.

Vienna, Sept. 11.

"I call for children—the children of genius," exclaimed Professor Voronoff, the famous rejuvenation specialist, at the conclusion of a series of lectures at the Budapest Medical Congress yesterday.

"Give me such children, and I will create a new super-race of men of genius."

The professor exclaimed that until now it had been commonly assumed that his treatment was applicable only to aged people searching for their lost youth, but without depreciating the importance of this side of his work, he wished to draw attention to new possibilities not yet considered.

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Women seeking rejuvenation, said Professor Voronoff, showed better sense than men. They considered their youth past at an earlier age, and thus sought rejuvenation while the work for the glands to perform was less hard.

100 SHOT A MINUTE.

NEW AUTOMATIC RIFLE INVENTED.

Bucharest, Oct. 1.

Newspapers state that successful tests have been made with a new automatic rifle invented by Lieutenant Oriza. It fires a hundred shots a minute.

It is claimed that it is simpler and safer than other automatics.

MATTERS INDIAN.

PREVENTION OF CHILD MARRIAGES.

A GREAT SOCIAL EVIL.

One of the greatest social evils in India is the marriage of children amongst the Hindus: literally, babies are offered in holy matrimony. And inevitable result was that a stunted generation arose; the number of widows increased by leaps and bounds; and a vicious circle was at once formed with its tentacles ever spreading out rapidly. Native States like Mysore, Baroda and Bharatpur had, however, courageously introduced measures regulating the marriages of Hindu boys and girls in their territories, but in British India the evil was rampant and fanatic Hindu fathers continued to sacrifice their girls by marrying them early. In 1921 the Indian Government was asked to bring in legislation effectively to put a stop to the practice, but the authorities, who apparently wanted to move in the matter very cautiously, stated that the initiative for such legislation must come from the non-official side of the Indian Legislature. Last month a non-official bill was at last brought forward before the Indian Legislative Assembly proposing the prohibition of marriages of girls below the age of 12, and of boys below the age of 15. The Assembly, accepting the principle underlying the bill, has referred it to a select committee, and it is hoped that after deliberation the provisions thereof, with any necessary modifications, will become law.

Fire-walking Ceremony.

That the Tamils of Singapore cling tenaciously to their religious practices is brought out by the fact that on the occasion of their festival day the various abnormalities connected with their weird ceremonies are gone through with an almost rigorous precision. Earlier in the year, on the occasion of Talpusam, we witnessed devout worshippers jabbing through their flesh and limbs, their cheeks and tongue, arrow-shaped pins and glistening spears, and sometimes fierce hooks caught in back and chest and attached to a burdensome cart. Later in the year the fire-walking ritual takes place, when a bed of coals some twenty feet long and about three feet wide is made and devotees walk over it barefooted. Some with wet garments, some with dry, and some with saffron smeared upon their bodies, run through the glowing embers and afterwards plunge into a shallow pool of water mixed with milk. In all these ordeals the Tamil faces torture and pain with impunity and freedom. To the Westerners, these manifestations may appear barbaric, yet one cannot help but marvel at the ultimate faith of these people who go through any tortures for their God, in whom evidently they have implicit faith.

The Dowry Curse.

A year or two back, the tale was reported of a Hindu girl in India who soaked her clothes in oil and burnt herself to death to rid her parents of the burden, all too heavy for their means, of providing a dowry to secure her a proper bridegroom. The tragedy was one that ought to have made the educated youths turn their minds to some introspection. Unhappily, however, this dowry system is still followed in India in some places, while it has also permeated, to a very small extent, of course, into the social life of the Hindus in Malaya. Amongst the unlettered masses, however, the dowry curse is practically unknown. It is only the educated section of society, especially the proud possessors of university degrees, that turn matrimony into a market to sell themselves and fleece others. — "Singapore Free Press."

CINEMA NOTES.

"THE BLACK PIRATE."

Douglas Fairbanks' great adventure film in natural colours, "The Black Pirate," continues to draw large audiences at the World Theatre. The picture will be screened again to-day and to-morrow, after which it will not be shown again in Hong Kong. The orchestra plays at the 5.15 and the 9.20 performances, and a Chinese interpreter attends at the 2.30 and 7.15 performances.

"THE GOLDEN BED."

The principal film in the continuous programme at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow is "The Golden Bed," Cecil B. De Mille's screen version of the novel of the same name. The story is a drama of marriage, with lavish settings and the leading roles are played by Rex La Boeque, William

LADIES AT DEBATE.

HELENA MAY AS GUESTS OF Y.M.C.A.

A LIVELY DISCUSSION.

Rather unique in that for the first time locally ladies and men met on a common debating platform was the opening night of the winter session of the European Y.M.C.A. Literary and Debating section.

This took place in the lounge of the building at Kowloon, well over seventy attending among them being many ladies.

The motion was "That Women have not Justified Themselves in Business," the affirmative being taken by two speakers from the Y.M.C.A. (the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach and Mr. C. Terry) and the negative by two ladies from the Helena May Institute (Miss Couch and Miss Birt).

Mr. P. S. Cassidy (Chairman of the Literary and Debating Section) presided.

Mr. Wittenbach argued that whilst it might be possible to point to individual cases of women succeeding in business the subject under consideration was whether women as a whole had succeeded, and he contended that the number of those who had not succeeded and of those who had sacrificed their home happiness in their attempts to carve out a business career for themselves was greatly in excess of those who had made good.

Girls and "Pin" Money.

Although granting that there were many cases where a girl entered into business as a means of supporting herself and rendering herself less of a burden on the family exchequer, Mr. Wittenbach argued that in most cases a girl went into business for the purpose of obtaining "pin" money. Having an assured home she was not in the need that a man was of a salary sufficient to keep herself entirely and was thus an unfair competitor of man whom she was in many cases keeping out of a job.

Miss Couch, in opening for the negative, declined to accept the principle that individual cases of success by women were to be debarrd from the scope of the discussion and proceeded to quote a formidable list of women who had made good in business and professional careers including the directorship of large hospitals and schools, even in one notable case of a big engineering concern, businesses devoted to ladies apparel, etc., politics and authorship.

The Women Behind.

Although women might not have been so much in the limelight they were behind many successful business ventures and scientific discoveries. It was a well known fact that Mme. Curie had contributed greatly to her husband's success in the discovery of radium and Mrs. Carnegie had had a great deal to do with the business success of the well known millionaire.

Mr. C. Terry, in seconding for the affirmative, stressed the necessity for subordinating everything to one's purpose if one was to succeed in any walk of life. Women's interests were divided far more than men's between the home and any business life which she might enter and it was fundamentally impossible for her to succeed in reaching the highest positions. For women to have succeeded in business it was necessary to show that she was capable of reaching positions of trust and responsibility in the directorship of large concerns.

Men As Mormons!

Seconding for the negative, Miss Birt asked how it was that if women had not justified themselves in business they held so many business positions to-day. It could surely not be suggested that the heads of business concerns were filling their offices with inefficient and incompetent people. The census showed that there was a large surplus of women over men. If women were to be debarrd from business what were these extra women to do? The only solution in that event appeared to be Mormonism (laughter). In conclusion, Miss Birt gave examples of women who had made good and said that although the numbers might not be comparatively large the feminist movement was still in its infancy. The movement must be given time to justify itself more fully.

Several ladies from the audience spoke and on the motion being put to the meeting it was defeated by a large majority.

A railway official, aged 40, who was visiting Allan Cathedral, threw himself from the balcony of the steeply falling into the square of the Palazzo Reale, where he was killed. This is the fifteenth suicide that has been committed from the balcony.

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THE PIRACY.

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tion Company. She left Shanghai for Amoy on Wednesday with six European Officers and between 80 and 90 Chinese crew. There was in addition to between 130 and 140 passengers a large mixed cargo on board the vessel. There were no European passengers on board.

Suspects Detained.

The three suspected pirates are being detained at the Water Police Station whilst one of the crew and three passengers have been sent to hospital. The whole of the remainder of the crew and passengers are being detained at the Central Police Station where bona fide passengers will have the opportunity of identifying any of the pirates who may be among their number. The pirates were in control of the ship for twelve hours and it should be easy for the passengers to identify them.

It is not believed that any of the pirates succeeded in making good their escape. The ship, although in comparatively shallow water at the time, was some way from shore and all the passengers it was possible to pick up were rescued by the British cruiser and submarines. If any of the seventeen pirates are unaccounted for it may be presumed that they are either burnt or drowned.

Four in Hospital.

The four men who were sent to Hospital consist of an engine room boy, who appears to have been shot by the pirates when they took control of the engine room and three of the passengers, and three of the passengers who are suffering from burns and the effects of immersion.

On returning to Hong Kong, at 3 a.m. to-day, L4 went to Buoy 9 and a party of Police officers, also Dr. Dovey to render medical assistance, went on board.

The "Irene," when L4 left Bias Bay was badly burnt, almost to the waters' edge.

The motive of the pirates in pirating the "Irene" is not clear as there was little cargo of any great value on board, no bullion, and passengers appear to be of the poorer class.

Ship's Personnel.

The Captain of the "Irene" is a Norwegian named Johnsen of the other five Officers three were British and the others Scandinavians. The L4 arrived at Hong Kong harbour at about 10 o'clock last night and returned to Bias Bay a few minutes afterwards with Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Investigation, Mr. L. H. V. Booth, A.S.P., and a party of police.

Cinema audiences last night had an inkling that something was amiss when an announcement was flashed on the screen at about 11 p.m. for all men from the destroyer "Stormcloud" to return immediately to their ship. This ship left for Bias Bay at about 11.30 p.m.

No Valuable Cargo.

The three suspected pirates are being detained at the Water Police station. They were all dressed in European costume and spoke the Punli, Hakka and Shanghai dialects.

The entire batch of refugees numbering some 130 passengers and 84 members of the "Irene's" crew are being interrogated at the Central Police Station where they are being housed for the time being. These are all Chinese, and include many women and children. It is not anticipated that any of them will be released until to-morrow.

The "Irene" which runs between Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow, was on a voyage from the first named port when the pirates took charge of her. Her cargo was of a general nature and not of any great value to the pirates. Her passengers, too, were mostly of the poor class so that the pirates must have received wrong information when they decided to raid her.

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Entertainments.

To-day.—Mr. R. Salisbury's "Qualita's" present "One Dam Thing After Another" at the Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "The Cat and The Canary."

To-day—Star Theatre: "The Golden Bed."

To-night—Navy League Concert, Queen's Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

October 23-24—World Theatre: "Kiss Me Again."

October 23-24—Star Theatre: "The Prairie King."

October 23 to 25—Queen's Theatre, Sir James Barrie's famous story "Peter Pan."

October 23-26—World Theatre: "Man Lee Chan" (part II) Chinese Picture.

October 25-26—World Theatre: "North of 36."

October 25-26—Star Theatre: "Souls for Sale."

October 26-27—Queen's Theatre: "Let's Get Married."

October 27—Musical at the Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

October 27-29—World Theatre: "Madame Sans Gêne."

October 27-29—Star Theatre: "Call of the Canyon."

October 28-29—Queen's Theatre: "The Tower of Lies."

Sports.

To-day—Local Hockey: H.K.H.C. University at University Ground, 5.15 p.m.

October 22—Billiards exhibition match at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, 8.30 p.m.

October 22—Annual swimming sports of the Hong Kong Branch of the Boy Scouts Assn. at V.R.C. from 3 to 5 p.m.

October 23—Cricket match at the University Pavilion, 2 p.m.

October 23—Lawn Bowls match between teams of No. 6 Platoon H.K.V.D.C. and Armoured Car Co., at Kowloon Dock, 3 p.m.

November 5—Seventh extra Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

November 9—Eighth bi-annual "Trevesa Trophy" race for ship's lifeboats, 4 p.m.

December 3—Autumn meeting of the Fanning Hunt.

Lammer's Auctions.
October 26—Office and household furniture, etc., Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.

October 27—Household furniture at 15, Humphreys Bldg., Kowloon, 10.30 a.m.

Meetings.

October 22—Sixth annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Canton Ice Manufacturing Co., Ltd., 2 Lower Albert Road, noon.

October 22—Meeting of the New Territories Agricultural Show Committee, at Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.

October 20—Twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Grand Hotel Des Wagons Lits Ltd., Exchange Bldg., noon.

October 20—Half yearly meeting of members of the Hong Kong Jockey Club in the Jockey Club Room, Hong Kong Club annex, 12.30 p.m.

November 4—Meeting of the Licensing Board, in the Council Chamber, noon.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—Exhibition of Japanese Art at Messrs. Komor and Komor's. October 24—Kennedy Town bathing beach will be closed at 7 p.m.

October 25—Closing of entries for the seventh extra Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, noon.

October 26—Sixth reel practice of the Scottish Co., Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

November 12—St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club garden fete.

November 17—Vice-President and Committee of the Victoria Diocesan Association "At Home" to members and their friends at Helena May Institute.

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Premier Jaspard of Belgium has presented to Parliament plans for development of Belgium's transportation system, involving the expenditure of 2,000,000,000 francs.

It is reported in Tientsin that the Shanai forces have captured 100,000 sheep in the course of the Aukochun retreat. The present time of year is the season for drovers to bring their flocks from the north to Peking and Tientsin, and the moral of the report is that mutton will rise in price.

Mr. W. Schofield yesterday imposed a fine of \$250 on a Chinese who was charged before him at the Kowloon Magistracy with the unlawful possession of poplu lottery tickets which were seized by the police during a raid in No. 22 Temple Street, Yau-mati. According to Detective Sergeant Mottram the accused was found actually writing lottery tickets at the time of the raid. The Magistrate convicted the man on charges of keeping a house for poplu lottery purposes, writing lottery tickets and possession of poplu tickets.

Two Chinese employed at the Scots Guards' camp at Shamshulpo, were yesterday charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy with the larceny of two pounds of beef. According to Guardsman Horan, in charge of the cookhouse, he suspected larceny had been going on for some time, and on Wednesday he left the cookhouse and kept watch. After a while he saw the second accused come out of the cookhouse carrying a bundle of cloth. He was stopped, and when the bundle was searched, the beef was found concealed inside the cloth. The first accused was implicated by No. 2, who said that he was urged by the other man to take the meat out and sell it. The first man was discharged on account of insufficient evidence, while No. 2 was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

A Chinese named Fung Hing was yesterday afternoon before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy charged with the forgery of a cheque for \$50,000. The accused, who was stated to be an assistant comprador of the Netherlands India Commercial Bank, was defended by Mr. M. K. Lo, while the Yokohama Specie Bank, on which the forged cheque was passed, were represented as prosecutors by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. H. C. Macnamara. Mr. D. H. Blake watched the case in the interest of the Ming Fat Hong, the Chinese firm in whose name the cheque was alleged to have been drawn. On account of the illness of Sergeant Carey, Mr. Jenkin said that he was unable to fully present his case and asked for an adjournment. The case was adjourned until Friday next.

The Imperial Bank of India recently announced the reduction of its rate of discount from 5 to 4 per cent.

Mrs. Sophia Ellis, of Camborne, England who has just celebrated her hundredth birthday, entered domestic service when aged 10 at a wage of 6d. a week.

In Abyssinia, a telephone message must first be written and handed to the operator, who, in turn, shouts it into the transmitter, no one else being permitted to use the instrument.

The State Federation of Labour of California, has introduced a resolution in the American Federation of Labour convention now being held in Los Angeles demanding immediate independence for the Philippines.

St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, at Pontville, twenty miles from Hobart, was totally destroyed by fire in the early morning hours. The previous night the customary service was held in the building, and when the priest in charge left everything was apparently safe.

Hatred towards a labour leader has shown itself beyond the grave. The body of the late Lee Soy-ming was exhumed and mutilated according to a complaint from the Seamen's Union of which the late Mr. Lee was an officer. The deceased was murdered by an unknown hand and buried at Shaho. In certain Chinese circles, an act like that shows the extreme hatred the perpetrator must have for his victim.

The project to excavate the Agora near Athens has been made practical by a concession granted by the Greek Government and the gift of G.\$2,500,000 by an anonymous American philanthropist to the American School of classical Studies of Athens and other large sums, including G.\$500,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation, which has pledged the school for the purpose of training students to work at excavation; but excavation cannot begin till the Greek Courts have decided the Government's right to condemn modern buildings standing on the site of Agora.—Reuter.

Major G. L. Gorr of the 5/2nd Punjab Regiment, Whitfield Barracks, was yesterday summoned before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy for allowing his dog to be at large in Nathan Road, Kowloon, without a muzzle. The defendant did not appear but was represented by a Captain of the regiment. After Sergeant Clark had explained that the dog's owner was Captain Slater who had left for home sometime ago and left the animal in Major Gorr's care, the Magistrate gave an adjournment for the appearance of Major Gorr, who was stated to be away on duty and might be back in a week's time.

The War Office announces that until further orders the minimum height for all recruits for the Royal Artillery will be 5ft. 7in. a reduction of 2in.

A party of wounded ex-Service men from Birmingham hospitals were among those entertained at Buckingham Palace by the "Not Forgotten" Association.

The Vice-President and Committee of the Victoria Diocesan Association will be at home to members and their friends at the Helena May Institute on Thursday, November 17. Tea will be served at 4.30 p.m. The chair will be taken by Mr. P. S. Cassidy, and a short address will be given by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, M.A., on the work of the Missions to Seamen.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, Mr. R. E. Lindsell had a Chinese before him who was earlier in the month convicted for the unlawful possession of poplu lottery tickets and fined \$15. The man was again charged with a similar offence. The number of tickets he had in his possession was 25 and he pleaded that these were bought as a joint investment between himself and a few friends. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$50, or, in default, four weeks' hard labour.

As the result of information received, the police chased a sampan in the harbour on Wednesday and made a haul of three automatic pistols and 620 rounds of ammunition which the sampan was attempting to run to West Point, evidently with the intention of landing the contraband on the Praya, there. The sampan was chased soon after she left the s.s. "Esquiline" which recently arrived from Germany. During the chase a sack was dropped overboard by the sampan but it was retrieved by the prompt action of the police. The contraband was found inside the sack when it was opened on board the police launch. While the police were engaged in retrieving the sack from the harbour, the sampan managed to make good its escape.

On the arrival in port yesterday of a towboat plying between Hong Kong and Kitehek, near Swaboe, the master reported to the police at Shaikwan that his boat was pirated in the waters of Sammunkwan on Wednesday afternoon bound for Hong Kong with a cargo of pigs. As the vessel was nearing Sammunkwan at about noon on Wednesday, she was approached by a sampan full of Hoklo pirates, who fired a volley at the towboat to force her to heave to. Six men armed with rifles and revolvers boarded the towboat, and after driving the foks into the hold, they ransacked the craft, remaining on board more than an hour. They eventually rowed away with 22 pigs worth \$420 and a quantity of clothing belonging to the crew.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Sir Frederick Whyte left Nan-king yesterday up-river, says the Naval wireless, for Hankow.

Mrs. Molesworth, widow of Judge Molesworth, a former member of the Victorian judiciary, has died in England.

Mr. L. R. Barnett-Smith, of the Customs Department, Seremban, the well-known rugger player, is going to Johore on transfer.

Reuter telegraphs from Brussels that Princess Astrid has given birth to a daughter, who is to be named Josephine Charlotte.

Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Smith have gone back to Ningpo to reside, having found the people there friendly and anxious for them to return.

Mrs. Weinman and Miss Dora Weinman are leaving for Australia by the "City of Palermo." They will not be returning to Malaya.

Mrs. David Fraser, wife of the "Times" correspondent in Peking, is planning to leave for England this month. She will travel via Siberia.

Mr. H. L. Hodge, who came out from home for the Education Department, has been appointed Assistant Master, Malay College, Kuala Kangsar.

Tunku-Kassim, Superintendent, Monopolies and Customs, Kedah, who is now on leave in Ceylon, has been promoted from Class II, M.C.S., to Class I A.

Mr. Wong How, for some years President of the United Chinese Society of Honolulu, the principal organization among the Chinese in Hawaii, arrived in Hong Kong early this week on his way to visit his home at Toyshan.

Mr. E. A. Staines, Superintendent, P. and T. S.S. and F.M.S., has been appointed Controller, Perak and Dindings. His promotion will be welcomed in Perak where he is looked upon as a popular officer. We hear that Mr. Staines will be going on home leave next month.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cannan, of Weihaiwei.

Mr. T. S. Sterling, Principal of the Presidency College, Calcutta, is retiring after 18 years' service in India.

Mr. F. C. Sands, M.B.E., F.R.G.S., Commissioner of Scouts for Malaya, has returned from a holiday in Ceylon.

General Perrier and Mr. Rudyard Kipling were present at the unveiling of the monument to the British division at Neuve Chapelle.

Engineer Captain W. J. Willet Bruce, chief superintendent engineer of the White Star Line, is to retire at the end of October after 51 years' service with the company.

Mr. G. Burton Sayer, editor of the "Shanghai Times," and Mrs. Sayer are due to pass through Hong Kong en route to Shanghai after a short holiday at home.

We regret to record the death, at her residence, 34 St. Michael's Road, of Mrs. Annie Reutens, widow of Mr. P. A. Reutens, for many years Secretary of the Straits Steamship Company, at the age of 75 years. The funeral was conducted by Father Ruudol, the Cure of the Cathedral of the Good Shepherd.—S.T.

Mr. John Parsons, an old pioneer of Lydenburg, has died at the age of 85. He was the founder of the Pilgrim's Lodge, Scottish Constitution, the oldest in the Transvaal. For many years he was a Town Councillor in Lydenburg. In June last his name was coupled with the anniversary of the lodge's 40th year of existence.

Altogether 163 representative residents of Dairen and Port Arthur attended the grand banquet given by H.E. J. Yamamoto, new President of the S.M.R. Co. at the Yamato Hotel, Dairen. H.E. Gov. Count Kodama, Gen. Muto, promoted to be Inspector-General of Military Education, the Consul, Body of Dairen, and other prominent residents Japanese, Chinese, and Foreign were included.

Sir David Galloway returned to Singapore by the Blue Funnel steamer "Teiresias" from Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Bath, of Singapore, are leaving by the "Sarpedon" for Hong Kong en route to the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. M. Robson left London on Sept. 21 for Nice, where they propose to spend the greater part of the winter.

Mr. G. M. Billings will leave Shanghai in December for Victoria, B.C., to take up an appointment as Head Master in the University School.

Mr. Victor Berger has been elected Chairman of the National Executive of the Socialist Party in succession to the late Eugene Debs.—Reuter.

Mr. Sydney Hudson, of the London Committee of the Yangtze Insurance Association, who died on June 30, left £208,860, with net personalty \$197,827.

King Fuad of Egypt was formally received by M. Doumergue and brilliantly entertained. The speeches emphasized Imperishable Franco-Egyptian friendship.—Havas.

Mr. T. L. Roberts, chief steward of the "Glenara," which arrived in Singapore on October 11, from Europe was taken ill off Perim and succumbed shortly afterwards from heat apoplexy. He was buried at sea off Socotra. Mr. Roberts, who was 56 years of age, was a very genial officer and, it is understood, was on his last trip to the East.

The funeral took place, at the Western Road Cemetery, of Mr. Wilfred Tighe, of Bertam Estate, P.W., who died at the General Hospital, Penang, the same morning. The deceased, who came to this country just over a year ago, had made a host of friends in the Province and in Penang. He was extremely popular, and his musical talent was always most appreciated. The coffin was borne to the grave by the members of the estate staff, and the obsequies were conducted by the Rev. Canon Gurney.

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SPORTS

LAWN BOWLS.

SHANGHAI TEAM'S OUTING AT FANLING.

DEPARTURE TO-DAY.

The Shanghai Interport lawn bowlers paid a visit to Fanling yesterday and indulged in a game of golf on the old course. They were accompanied by Mr. D. Templeton, the Vice-President of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association, Mr. A. O. Brown, Inspector W. Kent and Mr. R. Smith. They left Kowloon shortly after ten o'clock and took tiffin at the Club house, returning to Hong Kong in the evening.

Last night the Interport bowls team were the guests of Mr. A. O. Brown. They returned to Shanghai to-day on the Blue Funnel s.s. "Sarpedon."

SPEY ROYAL CUP.

Craigengower Defeat Yacht Club.

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club bowling team fared badly when they met the Craigengower C.C. on the Police ground yesterday afternoon in the Spey Royal Cup series. In justice to the visitors to the Valley, it must be emphasized that bowling is not their strong point, hence the result, 29-0, occasioned no surprise.

The Yacht Club's nine point were made up of singles, and a two in the thirteenth end. Craigengower started to pile up points from the beginning, their major scores being a four in the fourth end, a three in the seventh, a five each in the tenth and last end.

The teams were:-

C.C.C.	R.H.K.Y.C.
Musket	Davies
Bennett	Reid
Basa	Shellshear
Omar (skip)	29 Edward (skip)

The Police and Craigengower will now meet in the semi-final bottom bracket. The former eliminated the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and East Point R.E.

In the top bracket, Kowloon C.C. play Tai Kok. Civil Service C.C. stand by and meet the winners in the Kowloon Dock v. Club de Recreio match.

LOCAL CHESS.

MEETING OF KOWLOON CLUB.

GOOD SEASON EXPECTED.

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Chess Club was held last night in the Central British School. The attendance was fair but might have been considerably better in view of the number of Chess players now in the Colony. In the absence of the President, The Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. S. Smith, presided. The accounts of last year were duly submitted and passed and showed that the Club was in a sound financial position.

The question arose as to whether Service men should be admitted free to the Club or charged the ordinary subscription fee. The matter was put to the vote and it was decided that Servicemen should have free use of the Club.

The possibility of the League being restarted, the question of friendly matches, and possible inter-club matches were duly discussed. It was thought that it would be unlikely that the League could be restarted this season, but it was felt that several friendly matches would be able to be arranged. It was finally decided that these matters be left to the new committee.

After discussion of the best nights to play it was decided that the Club would meet on Tuesday and Thursday from 5.30 onwards.

The following officials were elected for the ensuing season:

President, Mr. Nightingale, Secretary, Mr. J. S. Smith; Treasurer, Mr. C. E. Wong; Captain, Mr. D. E. Carvalho; General Committee, Messrs. C. M. Sequeira, J. C. Faers, and H. Randall.

LOCAL CRICKET.

'VARSITY TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW.

The following will represent the University XI in a friendly match against the C.R.C. at Causeway Bay to-morrow, at 2 p.m.:—C. W. Lam (Capt.), S. V. Glittins, B. P. Ng, J. Barrow, W. Hong Sling, D. Laing, F. Zimmerman, A. P. Gutierrez, E. A. Lee, I. Tajima, K. T. Loke. Scorer: C. L. Tan.

The following will represent the University 2nd XI in a League match against the K.C.C. 2nd XI on the Home ground to-morrow, at 2 p.m.:—F. Hippocle (Capt.), W. M. Glittins, M. B. Osman, A. Baker, E. N. Sudan, R. Chan Wah, N. F. Karanika, A. B. Suleman, S. Kermani, A. Chan Fook, H. T. M. Bama. Umpire, Mr. F. T. H. Hoshimi. Scorer, Mr. G. C. Loo. There will be a cricket match at the University Pavilion on Sunday, October 22, at 2 p.m.

INTERPORT GOLF.

HONG KONG DEFEATED BY MANILA.

TEN POINTS TO TWO MARGIN.

A telegram was received from Manila yesterday giving the results of the foursomes played on Wednesday between Manila and Hong Kong in the Golf Interport.

Hong Kong were beaten in all the foursomes, Manila obtaining two points for each win, i.e., six points on the day's play.

Manila also won the singles earlier in the week, beating Hong Kong by four points to two.

Manila thus win the Interport by ten points to two.

The Results.

The complete results of the singles and foursomes matches are as under:—

Singles.

H.K.	Manila
Capt. I. Erskine beat B. F. Few, 5 and 4	1 0
Capt. A. F. Bloxham beat E. J. Nell, 5 and 4	1 0
J. R. H. Mason beat C. C. Stark (capt.), 7 and 6	0 1
W. D. Brown, R.N., 6 and 5	0 1
G. M. Ivory beat F. J. de Rome, 3 and 2	0 1
Cranston beat T. G. Bennett, 5 and 4	0 1
Total	2 4

Foursomes.

H.K.	Manila
G. M. Ivory and Cranston (Manila) beat C. C. Stark and F. J. de Rome (Hong Kong), 5 and 4	0 2
E. J. Nell and Capt. Fielder (Manila) beat Capt. Erskine and Lt.-Cdr. Brown (Hong Kong), 4 and 3	0 2
J. R. H. Mason and B. F. Few (Manila) beat Capt. Bloxham and T. G. Bennett (Hong Kong), 3 and 2	0 2
Total	0 6
Grand total	2 10

WALLEY BEATEN.

TECHNICAL KNOCK-OUT IN LAST ROUND.

Hollywood: Tommy Hughes, of Cleveland, entered the finals of the California flyweight elimination tournament by scoring a technical knock-out over Boy Walley, of Singapore, in the last round of a ten round bout.

Hughes will meet Johnny McCoy in the final bout on October 21. The winner will receive the endorsement of the California Boxing Commission for the title relinquished by Fidel La Barba.

New York: Tommy Loughran won the decision over Mike McTigue, who was defending his light-heavyweight title for the first time, in a match over 15 rounds staged at Madison Square Gardens.

Walley's Career.

A boxer born and bred in Singapore has thus achieved the distinction of having a Reuter cable sent about his doings. His friends wish the news was better, but in any case it is a big thing for Boy Walley to have reached the semi-final of a tournament to decide the new flyweight champion of the world.

Tommy Hughes won by a technical knock-out in the last round, which may mean that the referee stopped the fight owing to the punishment Walley had received. It was always Walley's style of fighting to be careless of defence and to take all that was coming to him as he could keep close to his man. He has found this pay up to now, but it would not succeed against a really hard-hitting opponent.

Walley has suffered from a cut eye for the last year. If this was opened it is probable that it got so bad that the referee was compelled to call a halt.

Four Years Ago.

A brief history of Boy Walley is worth repeating. He is the son of Mr. T. Walley, of the Registrar of Vehicles Department, Singapore, and is 20 years of age. The present writer first saw him box in June, 1923, at a show in Beach Road. He was beaten by an experienced Filipino, and the promoter said it was a shame to see such a gallant boy lose through inexperience.

But Walley quickly gained experience and beat that Filipino and most of the others who came along. He was a leading attraction in Singapore up to last year, when he went to Manila and made a name for himself there. Mr. Churchill, who took Pancho Villa to the States and secured the match with Jimmy Wilde by which Villa won the world's championship, saw Walley's possibilities and sent him to California. There, after one defeat on points which he subsequently redeemed, he scored a succession of victories and was regarded as a contender for the championship. Though beaten by Hughes, he will certainly be heard of again.

THEIR HOBBIES.

SPARE TIME OF FAMOUS FIGHTERS.

LITERARY GENTS.

A friend of mine was camping at Greenwood Lake last Sunday. In the middle of the day he heard a voice inquiring, "Hey, have you got an old sack or a flour bag around here?" writes Robert Edgren.

Looking up he recognised young Robert Fitzsimmons, son of the great ring champion, accompanied by Mrs. Robert Fitzsimmons and his golden-haired little daughter.

Bob had other company. His right arm was extended at full length, and in his right hand was a huge six foot rattlesnake. The snake wriggled, but young Bob held a tight grip on its neck. There were no empty sacks in camp. An old grip was found. Bob locked his rattlesnake in it, picked up his little daughter on his free arm, and started for home. Probably he put the snake in a bird cage so that he could take it out and play with it.

Young Bob seems to have inherited old Bob's facility in handling wild things. Old Bob thought that nothing would bite him intentionally. He handled all sorts of wild animals, and believed that he could hypnotise any of them by the "power of the human eye!" A pet mule kicked Bob and broke two or three ribs. Bob said he was teasing the mule, and trying to make it kick, so he didn't blame the mule.

Bob walked downstairs in his home one night in bare feet and night robe. He stepped on his pet bull terrier, which was asleep on a rug. The terrier curled around and bit Bob on the leg. Bob said the terrier couldn't be blamed because awakened that way he didn't have time to identify Bob, and probably thought he was a burglar. When Bob was with Jeffries at the Harbin Springs camp before the second Jeffries-Corbett fight a small bear was trapped, chained, and housed in a small cave beside the road. Bob went down to interview the bear, carrying sugar and cookies in his pockets.

When Jeff Wanted Help.

In two or three days he had the bear nosing in his coat for lumps of sugar, and after that Bob would sit on a log, hold a cookie in his mouth, and let the bear take it away with his teeth. The bear was careful not to hurt Bob, and seemed as tame as a dog. Then Bob, called Jeffries to see his new pet. Jeffries tried the cookie trick, and the bear growled at him. He feinted at the bear, and the bear bit Jeff's left hand. Jim hooked his right and knocked the bear over, and the bear bit a couple of holes through Jim's calf. Jim kicked the bear loose, and went back to camp to look for a club, and Fitz unchained the bear and chased it into the hills.

Old Bob had a pet lion when he went down to Texas to train for Peter Maher. He stopped at a hotel, and was told he must park his lion somewhere else. Finally he was allowed to keep it on the flat roof. Taking the lion up aloft, Fitz looked around for something to tie it to, and finally fastened the chain around a heavy cable. When he went up next morning he found a dead lion. The cable was a covered high-tension wire. The lion, running up and down, dragged his chain until it wore through the insulation. He was then connected with the power wire by a steel chain, and standing on a tin roof, Exit Mr. Lion in a shower of sparks. When Fitz found his defunct pet he sat down and cried. A large part of old Bob's power over animals came from the fact that he had a real affection for them, and they knew it.

Jeff's Method of Training.

Jeff liked animals, but he never was as patient with them as old Fitz. The lump sugar persuasion never appealed to Jeff. Jim had a mean mule. He said that mule was smarter than a man, and could think up more devilry than an Indian witch doctor. One day Jeff went to hitch the mule to a post before harnessing it. The mule watched Jeff, and just as Jim was pulling the rope around the post, reared back suddenly, catching Jeff's arm between the rope and the post, and nearly crushing it. Jeff picked up a neck yoke and hit the mule over the head, knocking it down and out for several minutes. Recovering, the mule got up, looked at Jeff, walked to the hitching post, and waited for Jeff to take a turn with the halter and tie the knot. Jim never had any more trouble with that mule. It reformed.

Jeffries was a great hunter. He was always in the mountains hunting bear, deer, mountain lions or small game. He hunted up and down the Pacific Coast and got a dozen big bears on one Alaskan trip with deer, moose, and mountain sheep. To-day Jeffries says his ideas have changed, and he couldn't shoot a deer. "I must be growing old," says Jeff. "I don't want to kill anything any more."

Literary Fighters.

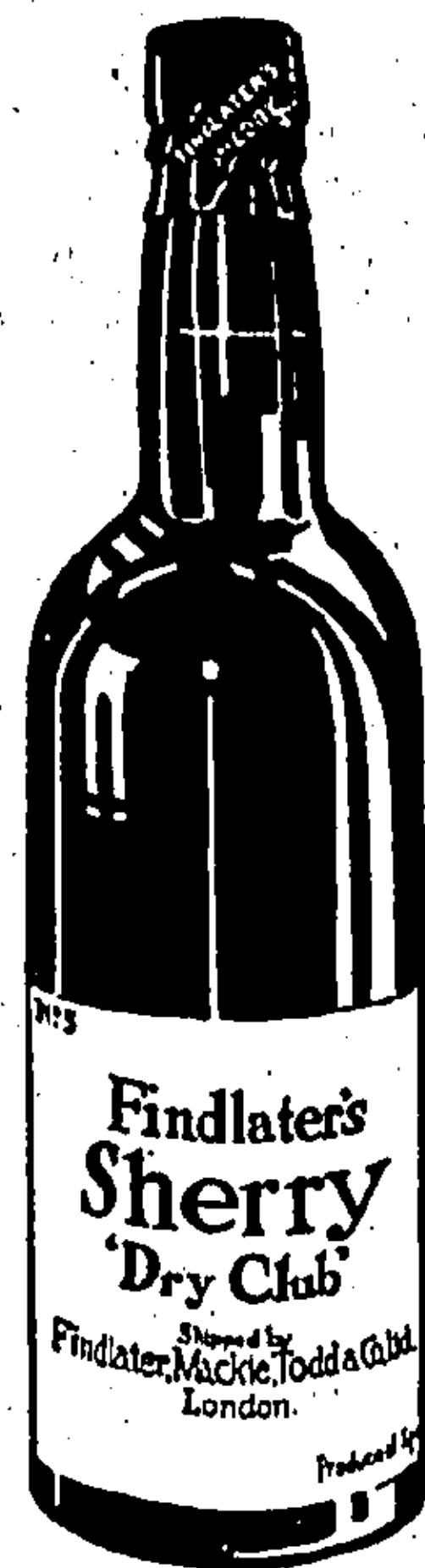
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don't even want to go duck hunting." For many years Jeff has had one hobby. He grows the finest roses in the San Fernando Valley, and can be found at his ranch any day working in his flower garden.

Dempsy Loves to Hunt.

Jack Dempsy always has been as crazy over hunting as Jeffries. He delights in hanging away at any kind of game, big or small, and he shoots as fast as he can until the hunted animal drops. He isn't worried over killing deer or deer or any other game. The "killer instinct" that carried him through a score of wild ring battles hasn't died out yet. Perhaps it will, and then we'll see the odd sight of Dempsy shrinking from killing a rabbit. A queer thing about Dempsy, while he has been eager to kill game, he loves dogs. A few days before the fight at Toledo Dempsy asked me to go on the road with him. "I want you to meet a friend of mine," he said.

After going several miles Jack left me for a moment and went across the road toward a barred cage. As Dempsy approached a huge, wolflike dog leaped frantically against the bars. I thought the dog was trying to get out and go after Dempsy, but Jack went straight up to the cage, put his arms between the bars, and talked to the dog, which stood up close to Jack as the bars would let him and whined eagerly in response. Jack talked to the dog several minutes, and when we left the dog stood up against the bars to watch Jack as long as he was in sight.

"That dog is my best friend," said Dempsy. "It's a shame he's penned up like that. I saw him one day and stopped to get acquainted, and he's watched for me every day since. Did you see how crazy he was to see me? After the fight I'm going to look up the owner and buy that dog no matter what he asks. I can't go away and leave him."

I heard afterwards that Jack did look up the dog's owner the morning after the fight, and did buy the dog, and paid five hundred for him, which, by the way, was a very large part of what Jack got for whipping the champion after Kenner had deducted his bit and expenses. Not all fighters make animal pets their chief hobby.

Literary Fighters.

Gene Tunney, the present heavyweight champion, has an odd hobby for a fighter. He reads books, preferably those listed as classical. He quotes Shelley and criticises Edmund Spenser. But Gene isn't entirely original in this. Tommy West, the great middle-weight, studied Plato and Aristotle.

And years ago Jimmy Britt, who split even with Battling Nelson in a series of desperate fights, and was one of the cleverest as well as one of the gamest light-weights in the ring, specialised on Shakespeare. Jimmy read Shakespeare in his High School days, and always had an apt Shakespearean quotation on the tip of his tongue.

Willie Ritchie's hobby was golf. When he fought Benny Leonard four rounds in San Francisco after the war, both having retired from their duties as training camp boxing instructors, Ritchie did all his training for the fight on the Olympic Club's golf course at Lakewood. He came within an ace of knocking Benny out, and played the final game in a club tournament the next day.

Terry McGovern's hobby was baseball. When he was world's feather-weight champion, McGovern thought his fighting ability might induce John McGraw enough to interest John to give him a job playing baseball on the Giants. Terry spent most of his spare time at the Polo Grounds in a baseball uniform.

Joe Dundee, welter-weight champion, a rough fighter, has a rose garden in Baltimore, and is more interested in rare roses than in his championship.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

CLUB "A" v. UNIVERSITY.

The following will represent the Club "A" in the match to be played on the University Grounds at 5.15 to-day:—W. R. Greenhalgh, J. Gardner, R. E. Todd, Rawlings, F. C. Mann, J. C. Faers, W. S. Drake, L. A. Duncan, F. Sands, I. P. Thomas and A. N. Other.

It appears that the Hong Kong team in Manila lost the rugby match by 18 points to three, and the cricket match by 76 runs to 51.

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"ONE DAM THING."

SNAPPY SALISBURY SHOW LAST NIGHT.

LOCAL "HITS."

"Better than they were before," was the consensus of opinion last night at the conclusion of "One Dam Thing After Another," by Mr. R. B. Salisbury's Quaints at the Theatre Royal.

There were twenty-four items in this revue of Mr. C. B. Cochrane's. Although a few deviations were made, everything went with a swing. For sheer fun and genuine entertainment, this revue is as good as anything of its class shown in Hong Kong. The girls were very pretty and clever; the men up to their best form, occasionally having a dig at Hong Kong.

Making Money Here.

When Mr. Salisbury insisted that a man who had lost all his brains still had a good job, he was pressed to say what the job was. Mr. Salisbury replied: "Trying to make money in Hong Kong."

One of the pieces, "An Episode in a Woman's Life," was particularly subtle. Each of the five characters said "What a night!" This brought down the house, but it has to be seen to be appreciated.

The Misses White, Ida and Kathleen, won the hearts of all with their brilliance and Miss Julie Brangrove was deliciously graceful in "In a Little Spanish Town," and "My Hearty Good Will," and "One Dam Thing After Another"—each one enumerated to good effect—will be shown again to-night and on Saturday.

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AUSTRALIA'S FIRST GREAT FILM.

Drama of the Old Penal Settlements.

London, Sept. 7. Australia's first super-film, which cost £50,000, will be presented in London in a few weeks' time.

It is called "For the Term of His Natural Life," and is based on Marcus Clarke's famous exposure of the convict settlement scandals of a hundred or more years ago, when Tasmania was known as Van Diemen's Land.

The great prisons at Port Arthur and elsewhere have been faithfully reconstructed.

All the terrors of the long voyage from England, when the convicts were chained in cages, and their subsequent agonies on land, are shown in the most vivid detail.

Hundreds of men are seen harnessed like bullocks to heavy ploughs. They toil to and fro, under blazing sunshine, across the fields, while over them stand armed warders, wielding heavy whips.

The men are always at the point of mutiny, though savage punishments, such as a hundred and fifty lashes on the bare back, are meted out for infractions of discipline.

One scene of revolt shows 500 convicts throwing their warders into a well full of slime.

The film ends on a note which shows Australian civilisation emerging from this welter of savage conditions.

Many Australians, while admiring the film's dramatic power and scenic strength, would prefer that the producer had chosen some other subject.

Miss Eva Novak, an American star, is the featured player. The producer, Mr. Norman Dawn, is also American.

UNUSUAL LAW SUIT.

German Actor Sued for Failure of Play.

Intense interest has been aroused not only in theatrical circles in Berlin but also amid the general public by the bringing of a suit at law to determine the responsibility of an actor for the success or failure of a play.

The suit is that of Herr Saltenberg, theatrical manager and head of one of the greatest amusement corporations of Berlin, against Rudolf Forster, one of the most talented and popular actors of Berlin.

Herr Forster was cast for the star part in "Scandal in America," by Hans Rehfisch, a play that was brought out at great expense and with great expectations at the German Artists' Theatre, a house controlled by the Saltenberg concern.

A "Forst."

The play was produced with a great flourish of trumpets, but was not favourably received by the public. Indeed, it encountered such a "frost" that after a few performances it had to be withdrawn.

The extraordinary feature of the case was, however, that while the play itself was unmistakably damned, the star, Forster, himself achieved an immense personal triumph: so that after the curtain had fallen at the end of the performance, amid either dead silence or expressions of disapproval, he was vociferously called before the curtain and heartily applauded.

With this attitude of the public, however, Herr Saltenberg did not agree. Instead, he regarded Forster as responsible for the failure of the play and consequently brought before the arbitral tribunal of the stage a suit that is probably unique in dramatic history.

In his complaint he declared that the actor was at fault and had caused the failure of the play and consequent heavy loss to the management, and he demanded to be reimbursed in the sum of 500,000 marks damages. One of the chief charges against the actor has to do with his too early change of costume.

A Too Quick Change.

This occurred in a scene in the first act, which was supposed to occur on an ocean steamer, and in which the actor had to change quickly from the uniform of a steward to a conventional street costume.

In the hurry Forster made the change sooner than Saltenberg thought he should have done, and thus, in the latter's opinion, deranged the performance and spoiled the play.

Forster's reply was that as a matter of fact the audience did not realise that the change had been made too soon.

The reply of the actor to the manager's complaint was that the cause of the failure was the play itself, and in this he was supported not only by a number of expert critics, but also by the author of the play himself, who unhesitatingly accepted for his work all the onus of failure, and declared that the actor was in no wise responsible, but on the contrary was entitled to such credit for his efforts in trying to make a poor play succeed.

Before the case is ended a long array of authorities from Berlin and various other cities will be called before the tribunal as experts, to give their opinions of the merits of the play and of the actor, and of the reasons for the failure.

LUCK FOR CINEMA CAREERS.

Dan Thomas writes from Hollywood:—How did he "crash" the movies?

That is the most common question asked about cinema players.

Unlike the stories which these men and women portray on the silver sheet, their starts came about in very matter of fact ways. To a great extent, lady luck has made them what they are to-day.

There are in the United States to-day probably five thousand Fairbanks, Gilberts, Swansons or Negris. The only difference is that they have never been given an opportunity to "show their stuff" and probably won't.

A Long, Hard Climb.

The world to-day thinks of Douglas Fairbanks in terms of a huge image being projected on a screen. Few remember the days when he appeared behind the footlights on Broadway. He was a prominent figure among stage folk when D. W. Griffith induced him to take a fling at the celluloid racket.

Doug's first picture for Griffith was "The Lamb," a six-reeler in which he was starred. Then followed a series of westerns. But finally Fairbanks grew a mustache—after several months of careful nursing—and became a "big time" star. He still has the mustache and still has a secure seat in the cinema heavens.

Norma Shearer rose from the "extra" girl ranks—a tough climb for any girl. She left her home in Montreal, Canada, with her sister, Athole, and went to New York with high ambitions. Even weeks of tramping the well-beaten path from studio to studio failed to dampen their spirits. Finally one agent sent them to a small comedy company.

Fifty-four girls were on hand when the casting director arrived and only 12 were needed. Eleven girls were chosen, with Norma still standing in line. She was the twelfth one. Her sister was not chosen. That was her first job—just one of a dozen in a slapstick comedy.

Gloria Swanson—often termed "Glorious Gloria"—did her first work before the camera in Chicago with the old Essanay company. But her real start toward cinema fame came right in Hollywood when she was signed as a bathing beauty by Mack Sennett. Gloria was beautiful and she could act. Those qualities, plus personality, have carried her to her present position.

John Gilbert really made his bow as an actor at the age of one year with Eddie Foy's show in Salt Lake

THE FUTURE OF ROMANTIC DRAMA.

Sir John Martin-Harvey's Optimism.

"I have every faith in the future of romantic drama, and am putting my faith to the test on my autumn tour by only producing one play, "Scaramouche," instead of staging an extended repertoire as I have done in previous years." This was Sir John Martin-Harvey's statement as he was leaving London for Newcastle.

"In this view," Sir John added, "I have the experience of Mr. Rafael Sabatini, from whose book 'Scaramouche' has been adapted, to confirm me. He wrote romantic novels in the face of much discouragement, and now he is one of the best sellers." But one has to play these dramas, not mouth them, and really live one's part."

Sir John and Lady Martin-Harvey are touring by motor car. "I find when we are moving from town to town playing a repertoire, that the Sunday motor journey is the only fresh air we get. Then our lives are just one general rehearsal. My old friend, Rutland Barrington, was in my company some years before his death, and he said, 'I lived on rehearsals and hot milk, as I generally took a glass of hot milk in the middle to keep me going.'"

"For the past week Sir John has been rehearsing from 10.30 to six with an interval for lunch," interjected Lady Martin-Harvey, "so you see the work is strenuous. But we are looking forward to the provincial season and to the Canadian tour which follows it."

As to his plans for the future, Sir John said, "Some day I must revive 'Oedipus Rex.' I made a financial success of this at Covent Garden, and when I got it into my own hands and produced it in the country I improved it very much. 'Oedipus' has got to be done again. If I ruin myself I'll do it. The only question is the best place to do it in."

DANCING TO CHOPIN.

Jazz Effects Not Appearing in N.W. Dances.

Dance Hall managers in London predict that dancing will be more difficult in the coming winter when walking, which often passes for dancing, will disappear. Teachers throughout Britain are teaching the Trebla and claim that this will introduce better music being danceable, such as Chopin.

The Mazurka retains traces of the old Mazurka and minuet steps with no trace of the Charleston and the Black Bottom. There are four important steps with three variations.

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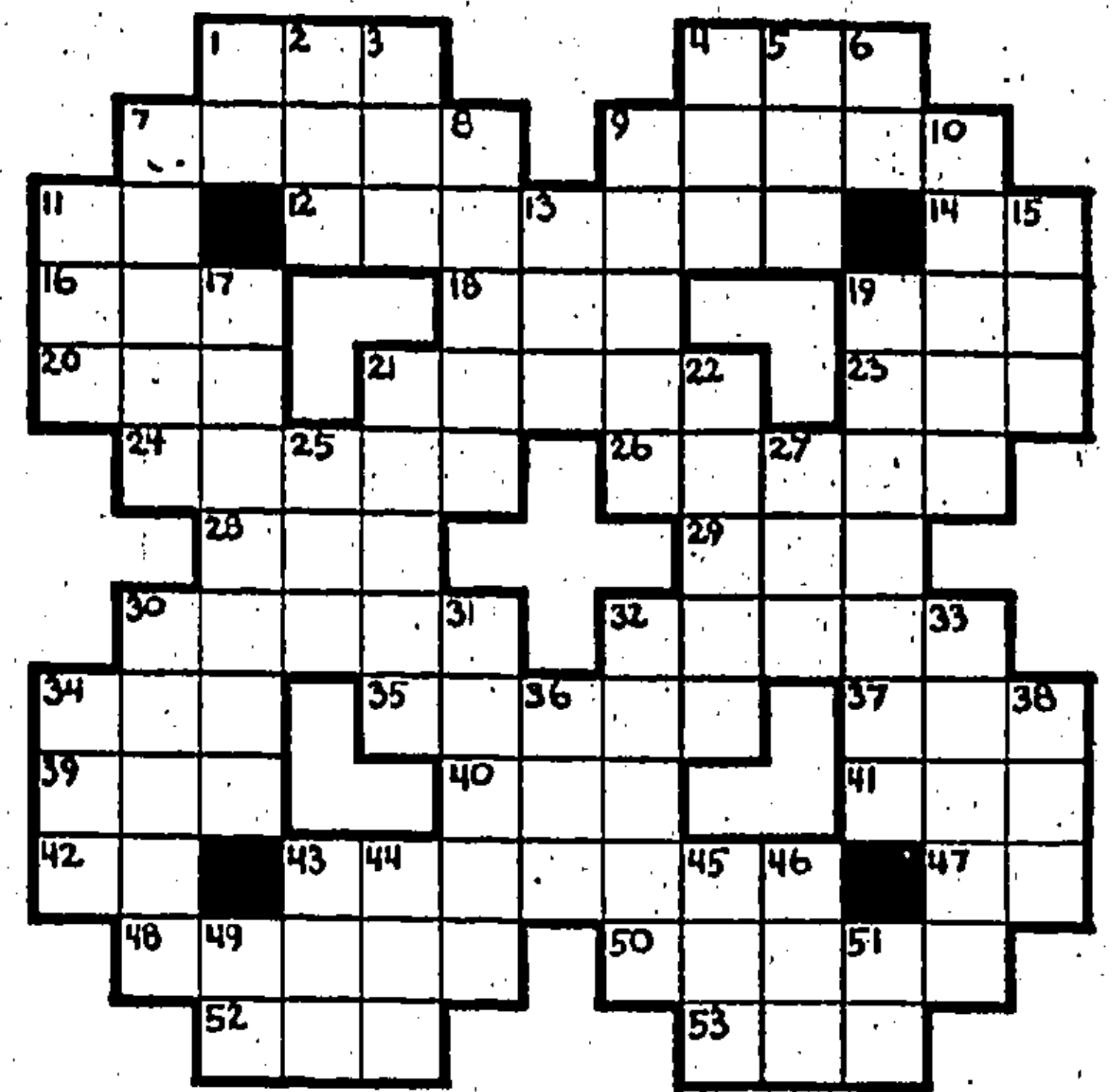
A TUBERCULOSIS FILM.

In view of the fact that of Hungary's eight million inhabitants seventy-two persons die of tuberculosis daily, the Ministry of Public Welfare organised a competition for a film play showing the dangers of tuberculosis. The competition has been won by Maria Thury, a writer of children's stories, with a two-act play which endeavours to rid the peasants of their fear of hospitals and encourage them to seek medical aid in time. In contrast to the Austrian "tuberculosis film," which ends with the death of the hero, Maria Thury's play has a happy ending. The display of the film will be compulsory in all the cinemas in Hungary.

City. Since then he has sold auto tyres, written scenarios and directed along "poverty row." He was given a chance to take up acting again when he was offered a small "bit" a few years ago. He took it and success followed—likewise his mustache, a la Fairbanks.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are asked to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Limb
- 2-A tree
- 3-Lies
- 4-Part of body
- 5-Plural of "I"
- 6-Via with
- 7-Part of verb "to be"
- 8-Instrument for playing
- 9-A ship's boat
- 10-Measure of 100 square meters
- 11-Turn to the right, said of drafts
- 12-Wind
- 13-Aqueous vapor
- 14-Tail
- 15-Solemn promise
- 16-Covered wagon
- 17-Defamation of character
- 18-Warehouse
- 19-20 Hundredweight
- 20-Part of a king
- 21-To weary

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 22-False hair
- 23-To pursue carefully
- 24-Expire
- 25-Up on
- 26-Who is called Father of English poetry?
- 27-Near to
- 28-Small wooden cylinder
- 29-To elude
- 30-To dip in a liquid
- 31-Extreme limit

VERTICAL

- 1-Behold
- 2-Piece out
- 3-Jewel
- 4-Casualty
- 5-Falsehood
- 6-Abbreviation for a written paper
- 7-Precious stone
- 8-Sweet substance
- 9-Vehicle
- 10-Exhausted
- 11-Humorous fellow
- 12-Past tense of "light"
- 13-Unit with needle and thread

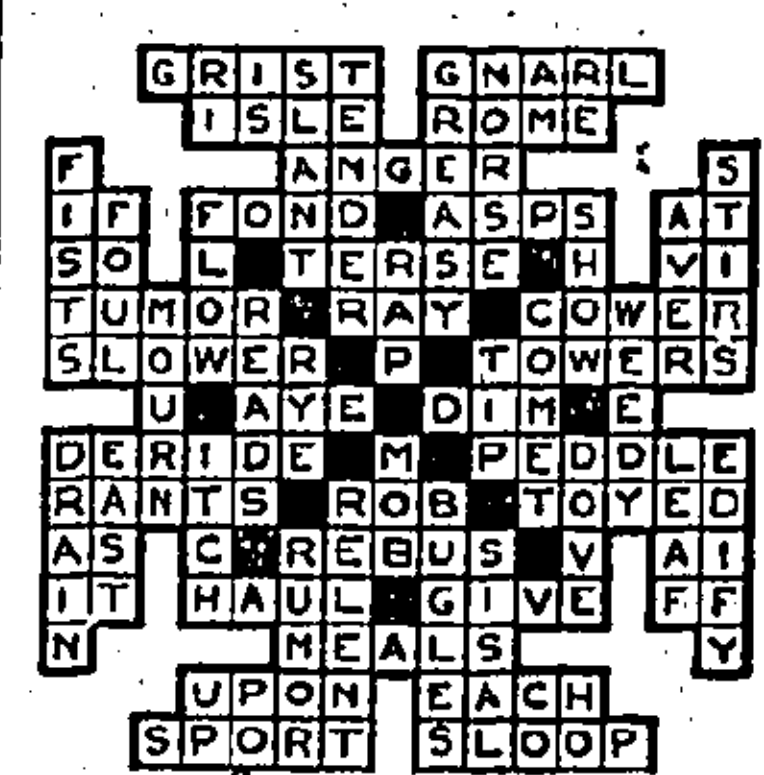
VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 17-Departing from
- 18-Grandfellow
- 19-Shelter of twining plants
- 20-Tale or romance
- 21-Cut short
- 22-Strike lightly
- 23-Part of body between lower rib and hip-bone (pl.)
- 24-Restricted to a particular place
- 25-Move merrily
- 26-Distinct portion of people
- 27-One and one
- 28-Fronton
- 29-Solution
- 30-Sound uttered by doves
- 31-To leap over
- 32-Evening
- 33-Moved swiftly
- 34-Afterthought to a letter (abbr.)
- 35-Minister's degree (abbr.)

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES. Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



"SLOWNESS OF TRAINS."

MRS. ANNIE BESANT MAY FLY TO INDIA.

London, Oct. 1. Mrs. Annie Besant celebrated her 80th birthday quietly. A reception has been arranged in her honour by the Theosophical Society on the eve of her departure for India, October 12. She declares that, as a result of the recent extension of her Continental lecture tour, she will fly back to India if a service is available, "for the slowness of trains appals me."

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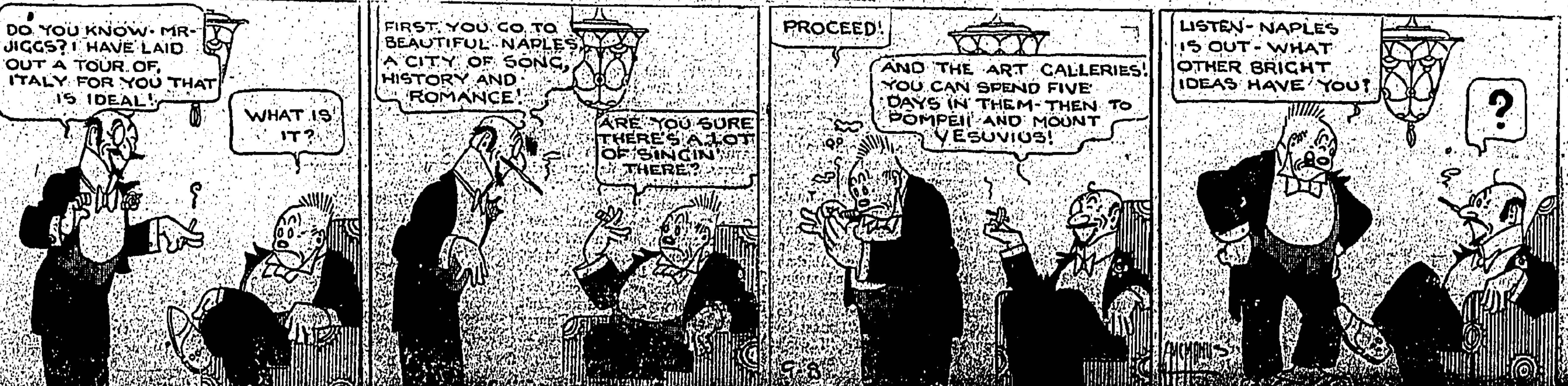
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A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE

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The war in the north is still the main consideration in matters Chinese. The Fengtien forces have recaptured a number of the places taken by the Shansi troops in the initial advances, but the latter is by no means a spent force.

Around Peking, for instance, the Shansi soldiery have been making things warm, and there has been much unrest in the capital, parties of would-be invaders having managed to approach the city in the rear of the main Fengtien force, which is moving south in pursuit of its small enemy.

Complications in the war situation during the week, as outlined in the "Overland Mail," have been many. It is said that Wu Pei-fu may take a hand, though this is considered improbable. Nanking, however, has definitely declared defiance to Fengtien, for what the declaration is worth, and Canton, in turn, has pledged support to Nanking.

The likelihood of a combined "Southern" move against Chang Tso-lin and the North generally, as our Chinese observers emphasize, is far off, however, and before long the Northern campaign, owing to approaching inclemencies of weather, will no doubt terminate at least for a few months.

This week's issue also contains all the local news, social, commercial and sporting, with a full description of the Inter-port bowls match against Shanghai, written by an expert.

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CORPS PARADE NEXT FRIDAY.

REEL PRACTICES.

The following orders have been issued by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Commandant:—

Recruits.

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Friday, October 21, at 5.30 p.m. All those who have not passed all their Musketry Tests Nos. 1 to 6 will attend.

Dress: Mufti, musketry order.

Corps Drill Parade.

A Corps Drill Parade for the benefit of those trained men wishing to pass drill tests Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive for the training year 1927-1928 will take place on Friday, October 28, at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill Order, uniform.

Musketry.

Scottish Company will fire Part II. at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, October 23, 1927.

All those who have not fired Part II. must attend on that date. Range Officer: Capt. K. S. Morrison.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or mufti optional, but rifles, bayonets, pouches, braces and belt must be worn.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, October 21, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m.; and on Saturday, October 22, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Artillery Co.

Lecture at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, October 27, 1927, by Lieut. C. N. Joy on "Artillery Communications."

All members of the Corps are invited to be present.

Engineer Co.

There will be a Corps Parade on Friday, October 28, at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters. All those who have not yet passed the Drill and Arms Tests will attend.

Field Sections.

Monday, October 24, 1927.—Lecture at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on "Practical Map Reading."

Wednesday, October 26.—Proceed to Kennedy Road Range at 5.30 p.m. for Test No. 4.

Signal Section.

Wednesday, October 26.—A shoot against the R.C.S. on the Miniature Range at 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, October 27.—Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction.

Mounted Infantry Co.

Parade at Stables at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25. Dress: Mufti.

Armoured Car Co.

Monday, October 24, at 5.30 p.m. Parade at Corps Headquarters. Armoured Car Crew and A and B Sub-sections will proceed to Kennedy Road Range for firing.

Traversing and Searching Tests, under Captain W. Brackenridge, M.C.

Motor Cyclists.—Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for special Machine-gun Class every Monday until camp, under 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock.

There will be a tactical ride in the New Territories on Sunday, October 23.

Parade at Kowloon Railway Station at 9.30 a.m.

Dress: Uniform with belt and helmet.

All members should make a point of attending the Corps Parade in uniform ordered for Friday, October 28, at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters, vide Order No. 2.

After the parade there will be a Company Dinner held at Volunteer Headquarters as a farewell to Lieut. R. L. Moncrieff and others.

It is hoped all members will attend. Names should be sent in not later than Monday October 24, to C.S.M. A. C. Groves, c/o Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

Infantry Co.

Friday, October 21, at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.'s and other ranks as detailed by O.C. Company will parade at Corps Headquarters for a special N.C.O.'s Course of training in Vickers Gun.

Musketry Part II. will be fired on Sunday, October 30, at Stonecutters Range.

All those who have not fired Part II. must attend on the above date. Range Officer: Lieut. A. H. Penn.



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No. 1 Platoon. Parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, October 25, at 5.30 p.m. for Machine-gun Instruction. Dress: Mufti, rifles and bayonets will not be required.

No. 2 Platoon. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25. Dress: Mufti, rifle, bayonet and belt.

No. 4 Platoon.

Thursday, October 27. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction. Dress: Mufti.

Scottish Co.

Musketry Part II. See Order No. 5.

Thursday, October 27, at 5.30 p.m. All Platoons for Vickers Gun Instruction at Platoon Headquarters. Full Strength parade from now on are essential to complete programme of work prior to camp.

Portuguese Co.

Friday, October 21. Trained men will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Lewis Gun and N.C.O.'s Classes, under Regular Instructors. Dress: Mufti.

All men who have passed either Part II. Musketry or Musketry Tests 1 to 6, and Drill Tests 1 to 4 are now trained men.

Transfer.

No. 770 Pte. T. C. Monaghan is transferred from No. 1 Platoon to the Reserve Company, as from October 17, 1927.

Marksmen.

The undermentioned has qualified as marksman and is entitled to wear the badge for one year:—No. 1180 Pte. C. G. Silva, No. 10 Platoon, 92 points.

Leave.

No. 1049 Lce-Sergt. R. K. Valentino, Armoured Car Company, is granted leave from October 22, 1927, to December 2, 1927.

NOTICES.

A Lawn Bowls Match between teams representing No. 6 Platoon and Armoured Car Company will be played at Kowloon Dock on Sunday, October 23, commencing at 3 p.m. sharp.

Scottish Co.

Reel Club.—Sixth practices will take place at Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 26.

Tug-of-War team as already detailed will assemble at Corps Headquarters at 6 p.m. every Tuesday.

Scottish Company v. Sergeants of the Queen's Regiment. A shoot will take place at Taikee Range on Sunday, October 23, commencing at 9.30 a.m.

Rage Officer: 2/Lieut. A. MacKenzie.

The following have been selected to represent the Company:—2/Lt. C. Duncan, M.B.E., C.S.M. D. J. Purves, Sergt. Cuthill, L/Sergt. F. C. Goodman, Corp. Young, L/Cpl. Lyon, Ptes. McLennan, Maskell and Boulton.



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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, & Shanghai	24	Tonyo Maru.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, & Shanghai	24	Pres. McKinley.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, & Shanghai	24	Pres. Van Buren.
Manila	28	Emp. of Russia.
Shanghai	28	Kashmir.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	30	Pres. Jefferson.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	31	Emp. of Asia.

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For	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21	Per	Time
Macao & Tsinshan via Macao	21	Chuen Chow	3.45 p.m.
Samshui & Wuchow	21	Wing Hung	4 p.m.
Shanghai	21	Sikiang	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 21st Nov. K.P.O.—Registration 4.30 p.m. Letters (22nd Oct.) 9 a.m. G.P.O.—Registration (22nd Oct.) 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	21	Kashima Maru.	
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	22	Gientara	10.30 a.m.
Manila & parcels for German via Hamburg	22	Emil Kirdorf	1.30 p.m.
Saigon	22	Confucius	1.30 p.m.
Straits	22	Gienace	5 p.m.
Amoy & Japan	23	Talamba	5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	23	Kiangsu	8.30 a.m.
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Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	25	Hai Hong	Noon
Straits & Calcutta. Parcels noon. Letters 1 p.m.	25	Fook Sang.	
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 25th Nov. K.P.O.—Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O.—Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	25	D'Artognan.	
Manila	25	Pres. McKinley	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver, B.C.—due Vancouver, 18th Nov. & Europe via Siberia. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (26th Oct.) 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.	25	Chak Sang	5 p.m.

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NOT TO STAND.

Coolidge "Chooses" As Before.

SUPPORTER REPRIMANDED.

Now Fairly Certain He Will Not Be Renominated.

Washington, Yesterday. The hopes of the Republicans that President Coolidge despite his recent statement, would accept nomination for the Presidency next year, have received a setback. The Republican, Senator Fess, who has repeatedly asserted that President Coolidge would be renominated next year, admitted that President Coolidge severely reprimanded him, and he received the impression that Coolidge was determined not to change his mind.—Reuter's American Service.

CHILD MARRIAGE.

PREVALENCE CAUSES STIR IN INDIA.

STARTLING FIGURES.

Bombay, Yesterday. Supporting the bill he is introducing into the Bombay Legislative Council preventing early marriages of Hindus, in Jadhav states there are now in the Bombay Presidency 74,000 married children under the age of five years, of which 3,500 are widows, and nearly 350,000 married children between the ages of five and ten. The bill aims at stopping all marriages of girls under twelve and boys under sixteen. The figures created a sensation in view of the controversy aroused by the recent publication of a book by an American, Miss Mayo, dealing with child marriage and other Hindu social customs.—Reuter.

BUSH MURDERS.

EXPEDITION IN THE SOLOMONS.

NAVAL ESCORT.

Suva (Fiji), Yesterday. The cruiser "Adelaide" has anchored at Sinarango, near the scene of the murders and has established a base camp for operations against the murderers.

The crime is reported to have been carried out by 300 members of two bush tribes.

Meanwhile, 800 natives have been collected at Government headquarters at Auki, Malaita Island, and others are coming in daily to offer to help arrest the murderers.

The Resident Commissioner has instructed the majority of them to return to their homes and await orders. Every effort is being made to arrest the murderers by the civil forces, but 30 ratings from the "Adelaide" will accompany the expedition to the interior for protection.

PREMIER'S BIG PIPE.

ENTERTAINED BY VARSITY STUDENTS.

London, Yesterday. Mr. Baldwin opened the new biological building of Birmingham University which conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. He had an enthusiastic reception. At the conclusion of proceedings the Premier, who is noted for his devotion to the pipe as a medium for smoking, was presented by a deputation of undergraduates with a huge cherry wood pipe which he promptly shouldered as though it were an axe. He was afterwards driven off in triumph in a chariot drawn by students.—British Wireless Service.

FRENCH BUDGET.

FAVOURABLE BALANCE LIKELY.

Paris, Yesterday. The Chamber Finance Committee has withdrawn practically all the amendments to the Budget to which M. Poincaré took exception, with the result that the Budget, as reported by the Committee, will show over 100 million francs of excess in receipts over expenditure. Instead of a deficit which the amendments would have involved.—Reuter.

BIG OIL STRIKE.

Unstoppable Flow At Kirkuk.

DANGEROUS GASES.

Two Americans And Arab Coolie Lose Lives.

Bagdad, Yesterday. The oil strike at Kirkuk is flowing with undiminished pressure and up to now has proved unstoppable. Fifty thousand tons flowed into the surrounding gulleys and depressions, filling the air with dangerous gas which forced most of the employees to leave the workings.

This was responsible for the death of two American drillers who in attempting to reach their bungalow from Kirkuk entered a depression and were overcome by the gas. They succumbed after being pluckily extricated by three Arab coolies, one of whom also lost his life.—Reuter.

FROM THE SWORD.

THE WORLD'S GREAT DELIVERANCE.

A NOTABLE STATUE.

London, Yesterday. Mr. Lloyd George, the Liberal Leader, unveiled at Finchley, a suburb of London a statue "La Deliverance" presented by Viscount Rothermere, chief proprietor of the "Daily Mail." The statue, which is the work of the French sculptor, Emile Guillaume, is that of a female figure holding in the right hand an uplifted sword and manifesting expressively feelings of relief at a great deliverance. Lord Rothermere, in presenting the statue, said it symbolised the relief experienced when the allied armies of France and Britain drove back the invading Germans from Marne.

His mind had instantly turned to Mr. Lloyd George when he thought who should unveil that memorial. He added: "History alone can present those war years in the true perspective, but whatever political and other differences may have arisen since 1918 the people of England can never forget what they owe to the unflinching courage and enthusiasm of Mr. Lloyd George."

Mr. Lloyd George spoke in vivid terms of the deliverance which the allied victory had meant to humanity—deliverance by sword from military despotism. The next great task, he said, was not deliverance by the sword but from the sword.—British Wireless Service.

THE LEAGUE.

HOW IT HAS MADE GOOD.

London, Yesterday. Sir Austen Chamberlain replied to the toast of the League of Nations proposed by Mr. Garvin, the well-known journalist, at a luncheon in connection with the Colchester oyster festival.

Sir A. Chamberlain said that when one thought of the place which the League held in the estimation of the world the wonder was not what it had not accomplished, but that it had so far made good. It had made war more difficult and it was widely corrective—content to do the daily task that came to hand using the strength which it had acquired with moderation and wisdom. "It would grow in influence and power, and as it grew less and less would it be possible for any country to go into war on any terms that would secure the approbation of the Council of the League. The League was justifying itself and with the goodwill of the nations it would preserve the peace of nations.—British Wireless Service.

THE HOLY SEE.

NO RESTORATION OF POWER.

Rome, Yesterday. Writing on the Roman question "Foglio d'Ordini," the official organ of the Fascist party, declares that any discussion of the restoration of temporal power to the Holy See, even on a reduced scale, is out of the question in Fascist Italy.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand today was 1/11 1/2.

RUBBER EXPORTS.

No Change in Present Regulations.

CEYLON AND MALAYA.

Machinery Of Scheme To Be Overhauled.

London, Yesterday. The Colonial Office announces that no change will be made on November 1 in the regulations governing the export of rubber from Ceylon and Malaya. The Governments of the territories concerned will be asked to overhaul the machinery of the scheme with a view to increasing its efficient working. They are being consulted, as to what alterations are required to the present regulations and full right is reserved to make any changes considered necessary as from February 1 next. The longest practicable notice of any changes will be given.—Reuter.

TIN MERGER.

PRODUCERS' BOARD FORMED.

MARKET CONDITIONS.

London, Yesterday. A tin producers' control board has been formed as the result of a series of private meetings in London by tin producing interests of Malaya.

Mr. E. J. Byrne, a prominent tin company director, told—Reuter that the objects primarily will be to establish a closer and more equitable relationship between the producers, smelters and consumers. He reviewed the present market conditions and said the board in no wise would advocate a combination for collective selling and concentrated up to the present its operations to uniting the companies of Malaya, Burma, Siam and Nigeria. But steps were being taken to ascertain the views of the Dutch East Indies and Bolivian producers.

A memorandum would shortly be circulated inviting each company in the former countries to send a delegate to the proposed conference.—Reuter.

TO JOSEPH CONRAD.

MEMORIAL PANEL IN VILLAGE HALL.

London, Yesterday. A memorial panel in the porch of the Village Hall at Bishopbourne, Canterbury, where he died a year ago, has been erected by friends and admirers throughout the world to Joseph Conrad. It was unveiled yesterday by the well-known writer Cunningham-Graham, who said he had known him throughout his career from the days when he was unknown and poor, until he became a celebrated and successful novelist with worldwide fame.

The Polish Minister, Skirmunt, who assisted in the ceremony, said that Conrad never ceased to be or divested himself of his Polish traditions.—British Wireless Service.

"MERRY" WIDOWS.

58 HUSBANDS KILLED DURING FESTIVAL.

Paris, October 1. The Russian authorities have been surprised to discover the village of Novola inhabited only by widows.

After investigations they discovered that all the husbands in the village, numbering 58, had been murdered.

The women confessed to poisoning them when they were intoxicated during a village festival, after the war, when the men returned and disturbed their wives' untroubled lives.

The ring-leader, Sophie Safarine, stated that she committed thirty murders. She says she developed androphobia owing to the brutality of her first husband whom she killed in addition to the second and third husbands.

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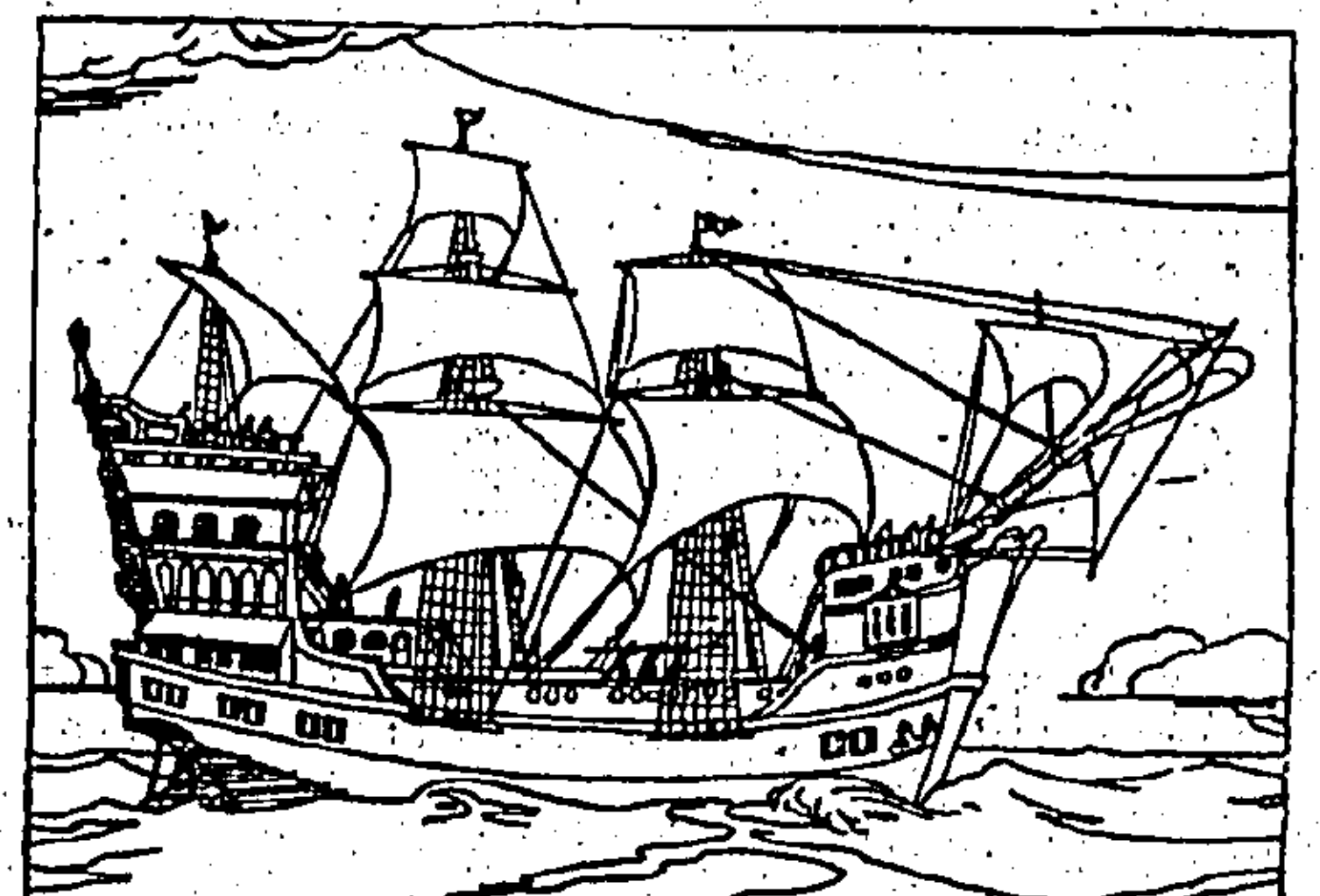
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